COHASSET TOWN REPORT

1905

One Hundred and Thirty-Sixth Annual Report.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE SELECTMEN

OF THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE

TOWN OF COHASSET

AND THE

REPORTS OF OTHER TOWN OFFICERS,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1905.

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1905-06.

Town Clerk.

HARRY F. TILDEN.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

PHILANDER BATES,	Chairman,	Term expires	March, 1908
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW	. .	" "	March, 1907
HERBERT L. BROWN	. .	" "	March, 1906

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

NEWCOMB B. TOWER.

School Committee.

MRS. ELIZABETH O. DAVENPORT,	Term expires	March, 1908
CALEB LOTHROP . . .	" "	March, 1908
MRS. MARTHA P. HOWE . .	" "	March, 1906
SAMUEL STODDARD . .	" "	March, 1906
CHARLES W. GAMMONS .	" "	March, 1907
CORNELIUS KEEFE . . .	" "	March, 1907

Constables.

JOSEPH A. ANTOINE, MANUEL S. ENOS,
SIDNEY L. BEAL, JOHN FLEMMING,
HENRY E. BRENNOCK, A. BRADFORD LITCHFIELD,
EDWARD E. WENTWORTH.

Auditor.

EZEKIEL L. JAMES.

Tree Warden.

JOHN CLARK.

Trustees of the Public Library.

EDITH M. BATES . . .	Term expires		March, 1908
Mrs. OLIVER H. HOWE .	"	"	March, 1908
Dr. OLIVER H. HOWE . .	"	"	March, 1908
EDWARD H. TOWER . .	"	"	March, 1907
EDWARD NICHOLS . .	"	"	March, 1907
GEORGE W. COLLIER . .	"	"	March, 1907
Mrs. ABRAHAM H. TOWER .	"	"	March, 1906
EDWARD F. RIPLEY . .	"	"	March, 1906
SARAH B. COLLIER . .	"	"	March, 1906

APPOINTMENTS BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN FOR THE YEAR 1905-06.

Field Drivers.

ELMER E. BATES, HARRY W. BURBANK,
ARTHUR MULVEY, GEORGE JASON,
*HENRY E. SWEENEY, *JOHN M. DAMON.

Fence Viewers.

EDWIN BATES, GEORGE JASON,
THOMAS A. ROCHE.

Public Weighers.

DAVID W. HOMER, ALFRED BEAL.

Pound Keeper.

L. LINCOLN WORRICK.

Keeper of Lock-Up.

WILLIAM J. BRENNOCK.

Harbor Master and Harbor Police.

JOSEPH JASON, Jr.

Inspector of Cattle.

DARIUS W. GILBERT.

Auctioneers.

AARON PRATT, EDWARD E. WENTWORTH,
JAMES S. BEAL.

Superintendent of Streets.

PHILANDER BATES.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

PAUL J. BATES.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

FRANKLIN BEAL, DARIUS W. GILBERT,
CHARLES H. HACKETT.

Surveyors of Lumber.

ARTHUR O. HIGGINS, JOSEPH A. VALINE.

Special Night Police.

FRANK JASON, MANUEL P. VALINE,
JOHN J. GRASSIE, JOSEPH A. ANTOINE,
SIDNEY L. BEAL, JOHN FLEMMING.

Engineers.

HARRY E. MAPES, ELMER E. BATES,
HENRY E. BRENNOCK, JAMES S. BEAL.
GEORGE JASON.

Registrars of Voters.

CALEB F. NICHOLS . . .	Term expires	May 1, 1906
GEORGE O. HIGGINS . .	" "	May 1, 1907
JOHN L. PRATT . . .	" "	May 1, 1908

HARRY F. TILDEN, ex-officio, Clerk of the Board.

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* Declined to serve.

TOWN OF COHASSET.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For 1905.

Doings of the

TOWN OF COHASSET.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

Extracts from the Town Records.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held at the Town Hall in said Cohasset this sixth day of March, 1905, agreeably to a warrant duly executed and served for holding the same the several articles contained were acted upon as follows:

For the choice of Town Officers the official ballot was used in accordance with a vote passed at the Annual March Meeting of 1904.

The polls were opened at 6.30 A. M. and remained open until one o'clock P. M. when they were by a vote closed. Previous to opening the polls, George Jason, George P. Neagle, John M. Damon and John Roche were sworn as Election Officers.

Philander Bates acted as presiding officer, George Jason and Harry F. Tilden as Ballot Clerks, Newcomb B. Tower attended to the ballot box, Joseph S. Bigelow and John M. Damon had charge of the check list at the ballot box, John Roche was stationed at the entrance of the guard rail and George Neagle at the exit of the guard rail.

The ballot box was examined and found to be empty, the dial placed at 000 and locked, all other preliminaries required by law being complied with, the voting commenced. At half past nine Eugene N. Tower was appointed and sworn as Teller by the Presiding Officer, to count the ballots cast, which he proceeded to do with George Jason. The ballot box was opened and 200 ballots taken therefrom and placed in blocks of fifty each and counted. George P. Neagle was transfered to a Ballot Clerk.

At the close of the polls the dial of the ballot box registered 490 ballots as having been cast. The number of names checked as having received ballots was counted and found to be 489; the number of names checked as having voted was connted and found to be 490. The remaining ballots were then counted and found to be 290; they were put into blocks of 50 each and counted.

Newcomb B. Tower, Joseph S. Bigelow, John Roche and George P. Neagle sorted and counted on the remainder of the ballots, in addition to Tower and Jason.

At 2 o'clock, the time set for the business meeting, the Town Clerk read the call for the meeting and proceeded to take up Article 1, previous to which he appointed George P. Neagle as Teller, to assist in taking the vote for Moderator. He was sworn.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Chose, Philander Bates, Moderator.

Voted, To go ahead with the business meeting while the Election Officers counted the ballots cast for Town Officers.

Article 2. To choose all Town Officers not required to be elected by ballot.

Voted, That Miss Edith M. Bates, Mrs. Oliver H. Howe, and Dr. Oliver H. Howe serve as Trustees of Public Library

for three years; Edward Nichols and George W. Collier, Trustees of Public Library for two years.

Voted, That all other Town Officers not required to be elected by ballot be appointed by the Selectmen.

Article 3. To act upon the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Treasurer of the Public Library, School Committee, Treasurer of the School Committee, Tree Warden and Auditor.

Voted, That all of the above reports be accepted as printed in the town report.

Voted, That Article 27 be taken up.

Article 27. Will the town raise and appropriate, distinct from the regular school appropriation, a sum of money for the conveyance of pupils from its several districts to and from the Osgood School, as the town has voted so to do previous to March 7, 1904, or act thereon?

Voted, That the town raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-seven hundred dollars ($2,700) to convey the pupils from its several districts to and from the Osgood School for the year 1905, as the town has voted so to do previous to March 7, 1904. Said money to be expended by the Selectmen.

The Moderator appointed as Tellers Amos A. Lawrence, Samuel Stoddard, and Darius W. Gilbert.

Article 4. What sum of money will the town raise and appropriate for the payment of debt, interest, support and relief of poor, schools, public libraries, repairs of highways and sidewalks, removing snow from streets and sidewalks, electric lights for streets, water for hydrants, public buildings, fountains and streets, and all other necessary charges and expenses for the current year.

Voted, That the sum of fifty-two thousand three hundred ninety-eight dollars and thirty-five cents ($52,398.35) be raised by taxation.

Voted, That the sum of sixty-four thousand three hundred ninety-eight dollars and thirty-five cents ($64,398.35) be appropriated as follows :

For Payment of Debt	$ 1,375 00
Payment of Interest	3,100 00
Support of Schools	15,000 00
Beechwood School heating and ventilation	1,113 35
Support and relief of poor	6,500 00
Highways and Sidewalks	9,000 00
Electric Lights for Streets	5,760 00
Water for Hydrants, etc.	3,450 90
Watering Streets	2,500 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	700 00
Town Officers	3,500 00
Night Police	3,000 00
Special Police	300 00
Fire Department	1,200 00
Removing Snow	1,500 00
Public Libraries	2,000 00
Memorial Day	100 00
Printing	350 00
Military Aid	200 00
Inspection of Cattle	100 00
Town Hall	1,200 00
Board of Health	200 00
Tree Warden	500 00
Incidentals	1,300 00
Town Commons	300 00
Straits' Pond	150 00
	$64,398 35

Article 5. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire what money may be needed in anticipation of the taxes for the current year?

Voted, That the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire what sums of money may be needed, same to be paid out of the taxes collected this year?

ARTICLE 6. In what manner will the town collect the taxes and at what time shall they be paid into the treasury?

Voted, That they be collected the same as last year.

ARTICLE 7. What compensation will the town allow the Collector of Taxes for the current year?

Voted, That the compensation of the Collector of Taxes for the current year be six hundred dollars ($600).

ARTICLE 8. To hear the report of the Selectmen on guide boards and act thereon.

Voted, That the Selectmen's report on guide books be accepted as read.

ARTICLE 9. Will the town accept the list of Jurors as prepared and posted by the Selectmen.

Voted, that the names of the six persons who requested it be stricken from the list of Jurors.

Voted, to add the names of four persons.

Voted, that the following list of Jurors be accepted:

William C. Appleton,
Walter D. Brooks,
Edgar W. Bates,
Franklin Beal,
Joseph S. Bigelow, Jr.,
William De Ford Bigelow,
Fred C. Blossom,
James E. Breunock,
Augustus S. Burgess,
Willard J. Coombs,
B. Preston Clark,
John E. Frates,
Joseph E. Gassie,
Herbert R. Gott,
Charles H. Kilburn,
Charles C. Lincoln,
Matthew Luce,
Levi T. Lincoln,
Henry L. McMahon,
Henry R. Nickerson,
George P. Neagle,
Joseph W. Osborne,
John J. A. Pratt,
Andrew H. Prouty,
Abraham J. Antoine,
Ezekiel L. James,
Frank W. Wheelwright,
Cyrus W. Wood,

Joshua F. Higgins,	Fred G. James,
John W. Hunt,	Thomas F. Kingsley,
George Jason,	Clarence Studley,
Joseph St. John,	George H. Stevens,
John T. Keating,	Manuel E. Salvador,

James S. Beal.

Article 10. To hear and act upon the report of any committee heretofore choosen or appointed.

Voted, that the following resolutions be adopted and spread on the records and that a copy be sent to Mrs. Abraham H. Tower.

As members of the human family, as citizens of the good old town of Cohasset, as a part of this great and noble Republic which we love and respect, we are compelled when measuring the stratus of our human existence to acknowledge that we know not whence we came, nor when the brittie thread of life is severed, whither we go, but we do know what manner of men we are while here in the flesh, and it is with this unerring and inevitable truth in mind that we pause for a moment in the midst of the active affairs of our town to offer a few words of commendation and approval in memory of our late Treasurer, Abraham H. Tower, who for forty-one years performed the duties of that office with honor and fidelity to trust unsurpassed by preeecessor, or co-ordinate in any town in the Commonwealth.

Mr. Tower was known to us as a man of quiet disposition and carriage, unassuming and modest in bearing and deportment, pure in mind and courteous in manner. To him duty was the chief prerogative of a faithful and unimpeachable life, having once taken the oath, compensation whether munificient or unsatisfactory was to him secondary to the faithful discharge of his trust.

As a citizen he was always interested in the advancement of true citizenship, the establishment of principle above pre-

judice, and the building up of institutions of learning and homes of intelligence and comfort.

He was a constant attendant at the church of which he was a member, and even when well advanced in years was more than ordinarily interested in the enjoyment and pleasures of the young, always giving his support to new projects and entertainments and fields of recreation. A good neighbor and friend, a loving husband and father, whose heart throbbed with sympathy for the weak and rejoiced with the strong in the strength of their character and purpose.

In the faith, hope and trust of our fathers we believe that in passing from the active scenes of mortal existence he received that welcome plaudit, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into thy reward."

Resolved: That in the death of our late Treasurer, Mr. Abraham H. Tower, the town of Cohasset has lost a true friend, a faithful servant and loyal citizen, whose honor and integrity were above reproach, and the memory of whose deeds will live as monuments for emulation to those of us who remain to conduct and carry on the affairs of town and state in this grand and noble Republic of which we are a part.

Respectfully submitted,

AMOS A. LAWRENCE.

Article 11. Will the town appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to be used at the discretion of the Selectmen for the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors and gambling or act on anything relating thereto.

Voted, not to appropriate the sum of $1,000 for the suppression of the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors and gambling.

Article 12. Will the town cause the financial report to be printed and distributed in the month of February, 1906.

Voted in the affirmative.

At the request of Mr. Philander Bates, Mr. Newcomb B. Tower took the chair for the next article.

Article 13. Will the town reimburse the Superintendent of Streets the amount of costs and expenses paid by him as defendant in the case of Patrick Griffin.

Voted, That the town reimburse the Superintendant of Streets the amount of costs and expenses paid by him as defendant in the case of Patrick Griffin.

Article 14. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to fund forty thousand dollars of the debt represented by demand notes or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That he be so authorized.

Article 15. Will the town authorize the Overseers of the Poor to build a new almshouse and barn on land owned by the town on Pond street, and sell the present almshouse and farm whenever an opportunity offers, at a price satisfactory to the Overseers of the Poor, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That action on this article be postponed until June and that the Overseers obtain plans and estimates of cost of building a building suitable for an almshouse.

Article 16. To act upon the report of the committee chosen to investigate the matter of half-tide gates for Little Harbor, said report having, in accordance with a vote of the town, been printed and distributed to the voters.

Voted, That this article be laid on the table.

Article 17. Will the town appropriate a sufficient sum of money to re-locate the electric lights on Beach street and to place additional lights where needed, and appoint a committee to carry out the same or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, To place one arc light by fountain at junction of Beach street and Atlantic avenue, and, in addition, three

incandescent lights on Beach street, to be located by a committee of three, consisting of Mr. Edgar W. Bates, Mr. Harry H. Gay and Rev. H. K. Bartow, and a sufficient sum of money be appropriated for the same.

ARTICLE 18. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 to install a fire alarm system in the town or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars ($25000.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of installing a fire alarm system in the town and it be expended by and under the direction of the Board of Fire Engineers.

ARTICLE 19. Will the town authorize the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library to choose a Treasurer.

Voted, That the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library be authorized to choose a Treasurer.

ARTICLE 20. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for special work on the streets at Lincoln Hillside, to be expended under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, That the above amount be raised and appropriated.

ARTICLE 21. Will the town authorize the Selectmen to place one additionel light on Church street, said light to be placed opposite Pratt's park, or act on anything relating thereto?

Voted, In the negative.

ARTICLE 22. Will the town accept the report of the Selectmen in laying out as a public way the private way known as Ash street at Lincoln Hillside?

Voted, That the report be accepted. (Report recorded in Road Book, page 166.)

ARTICLE 23. What action will the town take in regard to to the lighting of the streets from 1 o'clock A.M. to daybreak?

Voted, That this article be passed over.

Article 24. Will the town cause additional hydrants to be placed as follows: One on Elm street, near the residence of the late Louis W. Lincoln, and the other on the Osgood School grounds, or act thereon?

Voted, That this article be left to the discretion of the Selectmen.

Article 25. Will the town cause three electric lights to be placed on Doane street—one at or near the northerly end of Pratt's park, one in front or near the residence of Joseph W. Almeida, and the other near the residence of Frank Mitchell.

Voted, In the negative.

Article 26. Will the town cause an electric light to be placed upon the pole in front of the estate of Robert T. Beal on Jerusalem road?

Voted, That the sum of $20 be appropriated for the same.

Article 27. Acted upon.

Article 28. Will the town cause an electric arc light to be placed at the junction of King street, Forest avenue and North Main street?

Voted In tbe affirmative.

Article 29. Will the town instruct the Selectmen to place on Forest avenue a sufficient number of electric lights to properly light said street for its entire length and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay for same?

Voted, That this article be left to the discretion of the Selectmen.

Article 30. Will the town instruct the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners for a widening of the street at Cove Bridge, at junction of Elm, Border and Summer streets, in accordance with a plan presented herewith, or act thereon?

Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to so petition and to enter the petition within the next 30 days.

ARTICLE 31. Will the town appoint a committee of three to consider the advisability of establishing a central fire station, and to ascertain the probable cost of a building and lot suitable for the housing and care of all the fire apparatus, and the companies in the centre of the town, said committee to report at a meeting to be held in July next?

Voted, That a committee, consisting of Edward F. Willcutt, Edward Nichols and Charles W. Gammons, be appointed to consider the recommendations of this article and report as specified, and that the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) be raised and appropriated to aid the committee in this work.

ARTICLE 32. Will the town adopt the name of Woodside Cemetery for the new cemetery located on North Main street, near the boundary line of Hingham, and appropriate the sum of $300 to plant trees and shrubs the coming season and authorize the Selectmen to appoint a superintendent?

Voted, In the affirmative.

ARTICLE 33. Will the town raise and appropriate sufficient money to place a hydrant on Pleasant street, near the residence of Bartholomew Daley, or act on anything relating thereto.

Voted, In the affirmative.

ARTICLE 34. Will the town appoint a committee of five to look into the question of Cohasset harbor improvement or act thereon.

Voted, That a committee of five, consisting of Daniel N. Tower, Clarence W. Barron, Charles H. Cousens, Manuel E. Salvador and Frederick H. Pratt, be appointed to discuss Cohasset Harbor improvement and report at the next Town Meeting.

At the Moderator's request the Town Clerk read the proceedings of the meeting to see if any errors had occured.

All the ballots given in for Town Officers having been sorted, counted and recorded on the total tally sheet,

the following vote was declared by the Presiding Officer:

Total number of ballots cast were four hundred and ninety; four hundred and eighty-nine (489) were the regular ballots and one (1) special or women's ballot "For School Committee Only".

TOWN CLERK.

William H. Morris, Norfolk road	95
Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	358
Blanks	36

SELECTMAN—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	271
Ezekiel L. James, King street	197
Blanks	21

SELECTMAN—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	264
Joseph St. John, South Main street	213
Blanks	12

ASSESSOR—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	266
Ezekiel L. James, King street	193
Blanks	30

ASSESSOR—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	266
Joseph St. John, South Main street	204
Blanks	19

OVERSEER OF POOR—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	262
Ezekiel L. James, King street	195
Blanks	32

OVERSEER OF POOR—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	264
Joseph St. John, South Main street	200
Blanks	25

TREASURER—For One Year.

Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	219
Newcomb B. Tower, Ripley road	246
Blanks	24

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—For One Year.

Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	213
Newcomb B. Tower, Ripley road	250
Blanks	26

TWO MEMBERS OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE—For Three Years.

Mrs. Elizabeth O. Davenport, North Main street	319
Caleb Lothrop, Summer street	316
Blanks	345

SEVEN CONSTABLES—For One Year.

Joseph A. Antone, Stockbridge street	253
Ellery C. Bates, Beechwood street	166
Sidney L. Beal, Hull street	314
Henry E. Brennock, Border street	258
Robert L. Curtiss, Doane street	132
Manuel S. Enos, Elm street	303
John Fleming, Parker avenue	235
John T. Keating, Pleasant street	212
Thomas F. Kingsley, Beechwood street	154
A. Bradford Litchfield, Beechwood street	254
Edward E. Wentworth, South Main street	332
Blanks	810

AUDITOR—For One Year.

Wentworth J. Earle, Jerusalem road	170
Bela O. Pratt, South Main street	125
Frank E. Winslow, Pleasant street	131
Blanks	63

TREE WARDEN—For One Year.

John Clark, South Main street	219
Henry L. McMahon, South Main street	215
Blanks	55

Shall Licenses Be Granted for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in This Town?

Yes	233
No	176
Blanks	80

After the declaration of the vote as above recorded the officers elected were sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of their respective offices by the Moderator and Town Clerk.

Voted, That this meeting be dissolved.

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk.

PETITION FOR A RECOUNT.

On petition of Herbert A. Tilden and others, all qualified voters of the Town of Cohasset, for a recount of the ballots cast in Cohasset on March 6, 1905, for Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor for three years, Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the Poor for one year; Town Treasurer and Tax Collector for one year.

The Registrars of Voters met at Town Hall in said Cohasset on Saturday, the eleventh day of March, 1905, at 2 o'clock P. M., and did then and there proceed to canvass the ballots given in for the above-named officers and found the vote to be as follows:

SELECTMAN—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	271
Ezekiel L. James, King street	197
Blanks	21

SELECTMAN—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	265
Joseph St. John, South Main street	212
Blanks	12

ASSESSOR—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	267
Ezekiel L. James, King street	193
Blanks	29

ASSESSOR—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	266
Joseph St. John, South Main street	205
Blanks	18

OVERSEER OF POOR—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	262
Ezekiel L. James, King street	195
Blanks	32

OVERSEER OF POOR—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	265
Joseph St. John, South Main street	201
Blanks	23

TREASURER.

Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	220
Newcomb B. Tower, Ripley road	247
Blanks	22

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	216
Newcomb B. Tower, Ripley road	246
Blanks	27

CALEB F. NICHOLS,
GEORGE L. DAVENPORT,
GEORGE O. HIGGINS,
HARRY F. TILDEN,
Registrars of Voters.

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held this day (June 24, 1905), at the Town Hall, agreeably to a warrant duly executed and served for holding the same the several articles contained were acted upon as follows:

Previous to taking up Article 1, the Town Clerk appointed as tellers Edgar W. Bates and George P. Neagle.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Chose, Amose A. Lawrence, Moderator.

Article 2. To give in their votes upon the Official Ballot for a Town Clerk for the term ending March 5th, 1906, one Selectman, one Assessor, one Overseer of the Poor, for the term ending March 3rd, 1908; one Selectman, one Assessor, one Overseer of the Poor, for the term ending March 5th, 1906, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Newcomb B. Tower; a Collector of Taxes for the term ending March 5th, 1906; a Treasurer for the term ending March 5th, 1906; two members of the School Committee for the term ending March 3rd, 1908; seven Constables for the term ending March 5th, 1906; one Auditor for the term ending March 5th, 1906; one Tree Warden for the term ending March 5th, 1906; to give in their votes upon the Official Ballot, "No" or "Yes" upon the question: "Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in the town the current year in accordance with Chapter 100, Section 10, of the Revised Laws?" George P. Neagle, Edgar W. Bates, John Roche, Spencer H. Stoughton, Abraham J. Antoine, George Jason, Frank W. Wheelwright and Thomas L. Bates were sworn by Moderator as Election Officers having been previously appointed. The Election Officers were assigned as follows:

Spencer H. Stoughton and Abraham J. Antone as Ballot Clerks.

George P. Neagle and Edgar W. Bates at Check List.

John Roche at entrance of rail.

Thomas L. Bates at exit of rail.

George Jason presided at ballot box.

The ballot box was examined and found to be empty, the dial placed at zero and locked, and the keys given to John Roche, and all other preliminaries having been complied with the balloting commenced at 6.24 A. M. At 8.24 A. M. the Election Officers thinking it advisable 150 ballots were taken from the ballot box and canvassed, counted and placed in blocks of 50. At 9 o'clock the Moderator appointed William H. Morris and he was sworn as Teller. At the close of the polls at 6 P. M. the dial registered 504. The ballots were next connted, which were 503. The number of persons checked on the check list as having voted was 503, which agreed with the check list of persons having received ballots, namely, 503. All the ballots given in were sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by law is directed as follows:

TOWN CLERK.

Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	400
Blanks	103

SELECTMAN—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	303
George L. Davenport, North Main street	180
Blanks	20

SELECTMAN—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	403
James O. MacCormack, Pond street	49
Blanks	50

ASSESSOR—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	288
George L. Davenport, North Main street	189
Blanks	26

ASSESSOR—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	394
James O. MacCormack, Pond street	47
Blanks	62

OVERSEER OF POOR—For Three Years.

Philander Bates, South Main street	291
George L. Davenport, North Main street	183
Blanks	29

OVERSEER OF POOR—For One Year.

Herbert L. Brown, Beechwood street	395
James O. MacCormack, Pond street	48
Blanks	60

TREASURER—For One Year.

Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	203
Newcomb B. Tower, Ripley road	274
Blanks	26

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—For One Year.

Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	205
Newcomb B. Tower, Ripley road	274
Blanks	24

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—For One Year.

Mrs. E. O. Davenport, North Main street	304
Caleb Lothrop, Summer street	308
A. A. Lawrence	1
Blanks	393

SEVEN CONSTABLES—For One Year.

Joseph A. Antoine, Stockbridge street	273
Ellery C. Bates, Beechwood street	180
Sidney L. Beal, Hull street	303
Henry E. Brennock, Border street	297
Manuel S. Enos, Elm street	285
John Fleming, Parker avenue	294
John T. Keating, Pleasant street	233
A. B. Litchfield, Beechwood street	266
Manuel E. Salvador, Stockbridge street	129
Edward E. Wentworth, South Main street	333
Blanks	2461

AUDITOR—For One Year.

Wentworth J. Earle, Jerusalem road	221
Ezekiel L. James, King street	226
Blanks	56

TREE WARDEN—For One Year.

John Clark, South Main street	255
Henry L. McMahon, South Main street	192
Blanks	56

Shall Licenses Be Granted for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquor in This Town?

Yes	213
No	207
Blanks	83

After the declaration of the vote as above recorded the officers elected were sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of their respective offices by the Moderator.

Voted, That this meeting be adjourned at 7.57 P. M.

Voted, That the thanks of this meeting be extended to the Moderator for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over it.

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk.

SPECIAL MEETING.

At a special meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, held this evening (September 9, 1905), at the Town Hall, agreeably to a warrant duly executed and served for holding the same, the several articles contained were acted upon as follows:

Previous to taking up Article 1 the Town Clerk appointed as Tellers George L. Davenport and Charles W. Gammons.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Chose, Amos A. Lawrence as Moderator. Moderator reappointed above named Tellers.

Article 2. Will the town authorize the Treasurer to give deeds of conveyance in the Woodside Cemetery to those who owned lots in the Pond Street Cemetery in exchange for their lots in said cemetery; also to those purchasing lots in the Woodside Cemetery?

Voted, That the Treasurer be authorized and instructed to execute and convey, in behalf of the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset, and under the direction of the Selectmen, by whom the price thereof shall be established, deeds of conveyance of burial lots in the Woodside Cemetery to such persons as desire to purchase upon the payment to him of the stipulated price; and also to execute and convey deeds, under the same direction, to such persons who may have acquired lots by reason of an exchange for lots in the former Pond Street Cemetery.

Article 3. Will the town instruct the Selectmen to contract with the Cohasset Electric Company to light the streets from one A. M. to daylight at an expense not to exceed $2,500?

Voted, That this article be postponed until the next annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 4. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be spent for the improvement of Woodside Cemetery; said money to be spent at the discretion of the committee appointed for the purpose?

Voted, In the negative.

ARTICLE 5. Will the town instruct the Selectmen to publish as a supplement to the next Annual Town Report a full and complete list of all taxpayers and the amount of each assessment, both real and personal, for the last five years, beginning with the year 1900?

Voted, That this article be passed over.

ARTICLE 6. To hear and act upon the report of any Committee heretofore chosen.

Voted, That the sum of five hundred ($500) dollars be appropropriated for the use of the Committee, on Harbor Improvement subject to call of Committee.

Voted, That the following report of Committee on Central Fire Station be accepted and Committee discharged.

BOSTON, MASS., Sept. 9, 1905.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Cohasset:

GENTLEMEN :—Your Committee acting under Article 31 of the town meeting held at Cohasset March 6, 1905, beg to report that the result of several meetings, one of which was with the officials of the Cohasset Fire Department, is that we do not advise the establishing of a central fire station, as we feel that the time has not arrived for the town to maintain a station with horses and regular paid men and until this time does arrive it seems to us a useless expense to make a change, considering our present satisfactory volunteer service, the fairly good condition of the present buildings, and new fire alarm system.

We consulted with Mr. Cabot, head of the Boston Inspection Department of the Insurance Exchange, in coming to our conclusion and he thoroughly agreed with us.

We respectfully ask to be discharged, and have the one hundred ($100) dollars appropriated for our work returned to the Town treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. WILLCUTT,
CHARLES M. GAMMONS,
EDWARD NICHOLS.

Article 7. Will the town authorize the Overseers of the Poor to sell the Town Farm. or act on anything relating thereto.

Voted, That the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to sell the Town Farm.

Voted, That this meeting adjourn.

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk.

MILITARY DUTY.

The number of men liable to perform military duty, May 1, 1905, was 382

DOGS LICENSED.

The number of dogs licensed in Cohasset from December 1st, 1904, to December 1st, 1905 was as follows:

Male	180
Female	40
Total	220

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk.

ELECTION RECORD.

November 7, 1905.

Registered voters in Cohasset	645
Whole number of Ballots cast	511

Governor.

Charles W. Bartlett of Boston, Dem.	176
James F. Carey of Haverhill, Soc.	1
William H. Carroll of Boston, Soc. Labor	1
Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, Rep.	306
Willard O. Wylis of Beverly, Pro.	2
Blanks	25

Lieutenant-Governor.

Thomas F. Brennan of Salem, Soc. Labor	3
Eben S. Draper of Hopedale, Rep.	240
Patrick Mahoney of Boston, Soc.	1
John H. Smith of Dalton, Pro.	1
Henry M. Whitney of Brookline, Dem.	238
Blanks	28

Secretary.

Charles C. Hitchcock of Ware, Soc.	1
Jonathan S. Lewis of Stoneham, Pro.	0
Henry B. Little of Newburyport, Dem.	109
William M. Olin of Boston, Rep.	327
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke, Soc. Labor	2
Blanks	72

Treasurer.

Christopher D. Albro of Milford, Pro.	2
David S. Brodeur of Brockton, Soc.	3
Arthur B. Chapin of Holyoke, Rep.	312
Joao Claudino of New Bedford, Soc. Labor	0
Daniel F. Doherty of Westfield, Dem.	124
Blanks	70

Auditor.

Patrick J. Ashe of North Adams, Dem.	122
Herbert B. Griffin of Boston, Pro.	4
E. O. Fredrick Hansson of Medford, Soc. Labor	0
Ambrose Miles of Lynn, Soc.	2
Henry E. Turner of Malden, Rep.	312
Blanks	71

Attorney-General.

Allen Coffin of Nantucket, Pro.	3
Henry C. Hess of Boston, Soc. Labor	3
John P. Leahy of Boston, Dem.	130
Dana Malone of Greenfield, Rep.	297
John Weaver Sherman of Boston, Soc.	4
Blanks	74

Councillor—First District.

David G. Pratt of Middleborough, Rep.	341
Joseph R. Smith of Whitman, Soc.	21
Blanks	149

Senator—First Plymouth District.

William Seward Kyle of Plymouth, Rep.	304
Henry N. Magoun of Pembroke, Dem.	122
George W. Severance of Hanson, Pro.	1
Flavel S. Thomas of Hanson, Soc.	2
Blanks	82

Representative in General Court—Third Plymouth District.

Thomas H. Buttimer of Hingham, Dem.	148
Harry E. Mapes of Cohasset, Rep.	346
William W. Reddie of Hull, Pro.	1
Blanks	16

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—NORFOLK.

John Cavanaugh of Braintree, Dem.	126
John F. Merrill of Quincy, Rep.	307
Sumner F. Shaw of Weymouth, Soc.	7
Blanks	71

CONVENTION OF TOWN CLERKS.

THIRD PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.

On the seventeenth day of November, A. D., 1905, the Town Clerks of Hingham, Cohasset and Hull, said towns comprising the Third Plymouth Representative District, assembled at the office of the town Clerk in Hingham, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of examining the returns of votes given in, and determining who had been elected to represent said District in the General Court, to be holden at Boston on the first Wednesday in January, 1906, proceeded to canvass said returns and found the ballots given for the several candidates to be as follows;

	Hingham.	Cohasset.	Hull.	Total
Thomas H. Buttimer of Hingham	426	148	172	746
Harry E. Mapes of Cohasset	377	346	95	818
William W. Reddie of Hull	12	1	3	16
Blanks	10	16	8	34
Totals	825	511	278	1614

It appearing that Harry E. Mapes of Cohasset had received a plurality of the votes given in, a certificate of election was issued to him.

FRED H. MILLER,
Town Clerk of Hingham.

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk of Cohasset.

JAMES JEFFREY,
Town Clerk of Hull.

List of Marriages, Births and Deaths—Registered in Cohasset During the Year 1905.

MARRIAGES, 1905.

DATE.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	WHERE AND BY WHOM MARRIED.
Jan. 5	A. Ray Hunt Georgia H. Jewett	Auburn, N. Y. Auburn, N. Y.	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard Key Bartow.
Jan. 10	James Henry Pelrine May Broderick	Scituate Cambridge	Married at Cohasset by Rev. William R. Cole.
April 19	Paul Chester Bridgham Gertrude Rosamond Murray	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Boston by Rev. W. S. Perkins.
April 22	George Jason, Jr. Olive H. Stewart	Cohasset So. Framingham	Married at Waltham by Rev. Robert Murray.
April 27	Bertrand Francis Morse Helena Winniefred Orcutt	Cohasset Hingham	Married at Hingham by Rev. George F. Weld.
April 30	Raymond Peter Ahearn Grace Warren Bates	Hull Cohasset	Married at Scituate by Rev. Frank Park.
May 22	Andrew Pederson Anna B. Nelson	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Rev. K. F. Johansson.
June 1	Stanley Cunningham, Jr. Esther Lowell Burnett	Cohasset Cambridge	Married at Cambridge by Rev. William Lawrence.
June 1	Thomas Frederick Stoddard Henrietta Frances Willcutt	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. William R. Cole.
June 4	Thomas William Tierney, Jr. Amelia Priest	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Weymouth by Rev. Emery L. Bradford.
June 7	Russell B. Tower Lilla M. Brigham	Cohasset Marlborough	Married at Marlborough by Rev. Lincoln B. Goodrich.
June 10	Newton Erwin Burbank Mildred Estella Morse	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Frank B. McAllister.
June 14	George Badger Dewson Maria Forbush	Quincy Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. William R. Cole.

June 28	Joseph Albert Dion Bridget Frances Reilly	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Joseph Fitzgerald.
June 28	Edward Tracy Ellen E. Phalan	Boston Cohasset	Married at Hingham by Rev. H. J. Mulligan.
June 28	Arthur R. Gould Katharine S. Towle	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Revs. Frank B. McAllister and Howard Key Bartow.
August 31	Fred Horace Morse Susan Lincoln Nichols	Cambridge Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. William R. Cole.
Sept. 11	Harry Robbins Pratt Ethel Emma Gowen	Cohasset Brookline	Married at Boston by Rev. Thomas S. Barbour.
Sept. 26	John E. Frates Susie I. Snow	Cohasset Boston	Married at Boston by Chas. A. Feybl, Justice of the Peace.
Sept. 27	Frank P. Ham Sarah A. (Bates) James	Manchester, N. H. Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Isambert B. Stuart.
Sept. 28	Henry G. Brooks Rachel W. Roberts	Cohasset Milton	Married at Milton by Rev. Theodore Ironig Reese.
Oct. 17	Winfield Scott Lapworth Henrietta Clapp Bates	Hopedale Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Frank B. McAllister.
Oct. 22	Richard N. Hare Josephine M. Watson	Cohasset Boston	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Howard Key Bartow.
Oct. 22	William Otis Souther, Jr. Louise Stoddard	Cohasset Cohasset	Married at Roxbury by Rev. Edward E. Hale.
Oct. 25	Charles C. Ludwig Lucretia Frances Tilden	Worcester Cohasset	Married at Cohasset by Rev. Frank B. McAllister.
Nov. 16	Charles Joseph St. John Carrie Emerson Spring	Cohasset Hingham	Married at Cohasset by Rev. James H. McAvoy.
Nov. 18	George Gibson Leonora Frances Arnold	Hingham Cohasset	Married at Hanover by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.

Twenty-seven marriages were registered in Cohasset, as per above list, of which thirteen were solemnized in this town. Seventeen grooms and fifteen brides were residents of Cohasset, while there were but seven marriages in which both were residents of this town.

HARRY F. TILDEN, Town Clerk.

BIRTHS, 1905.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS' NAME.	MOTHERS' M. N.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
Jan. 7 . .	Mary Frances Thing.	Arthur A. and Mary.	Manning.	Lincoln Hillside.
Jan. 11 . .	Osgood Sthysen Sidney.	Antoine J. and Josephine.	Fratus.	Stockbridge St.
Jan. 15 . .	Henry Forbush Howe.	Oliver H. and Martha D.	Paul.	No. Main St.
Feb. 5 . .	James Frederick Wessman.	Carl F. and Hannah C.	Peterson.	Atlantic Ave.
Feb. 8 . .	Alice Elmyra White.	Harry H. and Alice	Williams.	No. Main St.
Feb. 9 . .	Irene Brunton.	Robert F. and Nellie.	Wood.	Brookline, Mass.
Feb. 22 . .	Sally Loring Prouty.	Herbert B. and Jane.	MacNeil.	Oak St.
Mar. 10 . .	William Joseph Kennedy.	John and Mary J.	Connor.	Ash St.
Mar. 11 . .	Hollis Gregory Brannen.	Guy H. and Ora A.	Allen.	Jerusalem Road.
Mar. 21 . .	Stanley Forsyth Litchfield.	William T. and Eva.	Griffin.	Beechwood St.
Mar. 22 . .	Charley Dyment.	Alvin and Minnie R.	McNally.	Hull St.
Mar. 22 . .	Henry Mannix Deery.	Edward and Catherine.	Mannix.	Summer St.
Mar. 24 . .	Fred Braddock Fitch.	William H. and Sarah M.	Braddock.	No. Main St.
April 8 . .	Gertrude Lillian Creed.	Howard and Helena M.	McKay.	Norfolk Road.
April 10 . .	William Hawksworth Jason.	George and Elizabeth A.	Silvia.	Pond St.
April 17 . .	Antonio Soares Fiqueiredo.	Antone S. and Mary A.	Silvia.	Parker Ave.
May 3 . .	Annie Julia Ferreira.	Joseph and Mary S.	Feridna.	Elm Court.
May 4 . .	Christine Perry Jacome.	Joseph P. and Margaret J.	Morris.	Summer St.
May 6 . .	——— Nott.	Asahel F. and Elizabeth.	Hudson.	Beechwood St.
May 8, 1904	Mary Margreat Morris.	Frank J. and Mary L.	Trombus.	Parker Ave.
May 8 . .	——— Bates.	Elmer E. and Myra E.	Bates.	Beechwood St.
May 10 . .	Parker Adams Small.	Ernest H. and Katherine M.	Parker.	Border St.
May 16 . .	Carroll Dennis Daley.	Dennis and Catherine	Donovan.	Lincoln Hillside.
May 20 . .	Robert Pratt Deegan.	Charles J. and Lillias F.	Pratt.	Beechwood St.
May 24 . .	Norman Glenfall Grassie.	Thomas L. and Mary E.	Martin.	Parker Ave.
May 27 . .	Frances Gillingham Bates.	Edgar W. and Minnie F.	Knight.	Ripley Road.
June 2 . .	Joshua Raynolds Dean.	Dudley S. and Kate S.	Raynolds.	Atlantic Ave.
June 5 . .	Leonard Aldrich Anderson.	Augustus E. and Lucy E.	Smith.	Pleasant St.
June 10 . .	Lillian Louise Grassie.	Patrick and Frances L.	Silvia.	Stockbridge St.
June 20 . .	Alice Luce.	Matthew and Mary C.	Hovey.	Jerusalem Road.
June 27 . .	Nancy Elizabeth Mulvey.	Arthur and Caroline.	Murray.	Forest Ave.
June 27 . .	——— Edelstein.	Abram L. and Ceial.	Veeleskie.	Summer St.

July 10 . .	Clarence Perry Silvia.	Joseph L. and Unas.	Brown.	Oak St.
July 21 . .	Michael Joseph Fahey.	Michael P. and Dora.	Sheehan.	Spring St.
July 21 . .	Florence Catrins Lyons.	Michael and Bridget.	Coyne.	James Lane.
July 22 . .	Frank Sumner Foley Brickett.	Alfred and Mary R.	McKenzie.	Jerusalem Road.
July 23 . .	Joseph Feriara.	Antoine J. and Mariada.	Conceicao.	Church St.
Aug. 3 . .	Katherine Lassell Watt.	John R. and Harriet W.	Root.	Summer St.
Aug. 5 . .	Robert Bridgham James.	Ezekiel L. and Nellie.	Bates.	King St.
Aug. 12 . .	——— Shea.	John J and Catherine A.	Greeley.	Jerusalem Road.
Aug. 12 . .	Horatio Bates Tower, Jr.	Horatio B. and Gertrude.	Hall.	No. Main St.
Aug. 14 . .	Rosamond Millard	Guy L. and Fannie L.	Murray.	Forest Ave.
Aug. 31 . .	Henry Whitney Gardiner.	John P. and Eleanor G.	Whitney.	Jerusalem Road.
Sept. 8 . .	Threadre Morris.	Frank J. and Mary L.	Thrombus.	Parker Ave.
Sept. 10 . .	Elinor Blake Souther.	David and Mabel L.	McKenzie.	King St.
Sept. 23 . .	——— Goldstein.	Louis L. and ———.	———.	Beach St.
Sept. 24 . .	Chester Harrison Sargent.	Herbert C. and Ida.	Rushlow.	Church St.
Sept. 28 . .	——— Young.	William H. and Sophia.	Stanley.	No. Main St.
Sept. 30 . .	Annie Virgina Silvia.	Antoine L. and Lucy.	McPhee.	Border St.
Oct. 10 . .	——— Robinson.	Harry E. and Orresia.	Everett.	Pleasant St.
Oct. 11 . .	Margaret Treat Winters.	John H. and Mabel F.	Treat.	Atlantic Ave.
Oct. 19 . .	Herman A. Hubert.	Moses J. and Albertina.	Zaviguerer.	Hull St.
Nov. 4 . .	James Robert McArthur.	William H. and Rhoda.	Rushlow.	Beechwood St.
Nov. 4 . .	Leslie Katherine Martell.	Ralph Y. and Lillian.	Ainslie.	Margin St.
Nov. 6 . .	Thomas Emanuel Valine..	George P. and Mary A.	Connell.	Highland Ave.
Nov. 24 . .	——— Litchfield.	Lewellyn A. and Annie.	Steele.	Church St.
Dec. 2 . .	Eleano Lewis Tanger.	Charles A and Emma.	Leonard.	Elm St.
Dec. 3 . .	August Frederick Peterson.	August F. B. and Miriam.	Treat.	Atlantic Ave.
Dec. 3 . .	——— Tower.	Thomas A. and Maria.	McCloud.	Beechwood St.
July 11, 1901 .	Gladys Katherine Cole.	Robert and Helena.	Browne.	Cohasset.
July 20, 1901 .	Cornelius Joseph Desmond.	Andrew and Mary.	Lyons.	Norwood, Mass.
Aug. 31, 1904 .	Christini Elizabeth Clarke.	Edward and Elizabeth.	Leau.	Hull St.
Dec. 20, 1904 .	Joseph Lewis Botailyo.	Manuel L. and Mary T.	Carvalha.	Pleasant St.
Dec. 26, 1904 .	Frank E. McLein.	Nathaniel B. and Katie.	Powers.	Hull St.

The above list contains the names of fifty-eight babies born in Cohasset in 1905. Of which thirty-four were males and twenty-four were females with parentage as follows: American father and mother, twenty-four; foreigh father and mother, twelve; American father and foreign mother, twelve; foreign father and American mother, ten.

HARRY F. TILDEN, Town Clerk.

DEATHS, 1905.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE. Y.	M.	D.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF DEATH.
Jan. 8	Manuel C. Souza	78			Complication of Diseases	Pleasant Street.
Jan. 30	(1) Frank Silvia	76			Cancer of Liver	Border Street.
Feb. 6	George E. Ainslee	74			Pneumonia	Norwell, Mass.
Feb. 6	Harriet Pratt	56	1	14	Burned to Death	Meredith, N. H.
Feb. 21	Antoine Vargus	73			Bronchitis	Scituate, Mass.
Mar. 9	Martin Hanson	37	8	4	Paralysis of Lungs	No. Main Street.
Mar. 10	Mary Ann Howard Beal	73	4	6	Congestion of Lungs	Elm Street.
Mar. 17	(1) Ethelind May Monteiro		4	17	Cerebral Meningitis	Stockbridge Street.
Mar. 21	(1) Frances Mary Antoine	1	1	21	Acute Bronchitis	Snow Place.
Mar. 25	Elizabeth (Cundy) Beal	66		23	Erysipelas	Hull Street.
Mar. 27	Richard W. Lothrop	83	7	17	La Grippe	Atlantic Avenue.
Mar. 28	Jose Furtado Da Rosa	59	10		Bright's Disease	
Mar. 30	Mary A. Stoddard	78			Congestion of Lungs	Durham, Me.
April 2	Job Cushing, Jr.	74	1	1	Senile Dementia	Medford, Mass.
April 5	James C. Rooney	28	4	5	La Grippe	Margin Street.
April 7	(7) Charles C. Williams	47	5	18	Cerebral Thrombosis	Shanghai, China.
April 8	Gertrude May Pratt		11		Broncho-Pneumonia	Beechwood Street.
April 12	Burton Wallace Studley		11	15	Chronic-Bronchitis	Jerusalem Road.
April 12	Sophia A. (Pride) Pratt	76	6	22	Chronic Bronchitis	So. Main Street.
April 13	Pasquale Langelli	38			Lobar Pneumonia	Sohier Street.
April 14	Charles F. Ripley	63		27	Endocardite	Weymouth, Mass.
April 16	Elizabeth G. Smith	40	10	29	Valvular Disease of Heart	Cambridge, Mass.
April 27	Ira B. Pratt	65	9		Cirrhosis Liver	Beechwood Street.
May 6	(2) ——— Nott				Premature Birth	Beechwood Street.
May 18	John Stanley Gillis		1	14	Angl Stenoses of Pytorus	Boston, Mass.
May 20	(1) Manuel Jason	47			Chronic Bronchitis	Spring Street.
June 5	(3) Thomas Reedy	60	8	5	Bright's Disease	No. Main Street.

July 6	(4) Emily Linder Hinckley	2	8	21	Diphtheria	Jerusalem Road.
July 8	(5) Margaret M. Cronican	75	9	9	Dropsy	Pleasant Street.
July 14	(1) Clarence Perry Silvia			4	Congenital Debility	Oak Street
July 21	(6) Abby (Howard) Manning	91		3	(Acute Lobar) Pneumonia	Nichols Road.
July 23	John Murray Smith	2	6	1	Bronchial Pneumonia	Margin Street.
July 25	George Hanlon Noyes		5		Cholera Infantum	Jerusalem Road.
Aug. 1	A. A. Woodbridge	64			Drowning	Off Jerusalem Road.
Aug. 2	Lewis Lincoln Wheelwright	53	10	21	Valvular Disease of Heart	Beechwood Street.
Aug. 4	(1) Samuel V. Hardwick	75	6		Cerebral Hemorrhage	Doane Street.
Aug. 20	Russell Ward	24	1	4	Diarrhœa	No. Scituate, Mass.
Aug. 20	Katherine (Silvia) Katon	60			Pneumonia	Beechwood Street.
Aug. 21	Joseph Katon	50			Cerebral Hemorrhage	Beechwood Street.
Sept. 18	Pheobe A. Coles	65			Tuberculosis of Intestines	Bridgewater, Mass.
Sept. 24	(8) Elizabeth J. Bates	59			Acute Enteritis	Taunton, Mass.
Oct. 6	Lydia N. (Cousens) Bates	79		15	Heart Disease	Quincy, Mass.
Oct. 10	(3) James Sweeney	60			Pneumonia	Elm Street.
Oct. 11	Louisa (Chapman) Hanlon	62			Bright's Disease	Jerusalem Road.
Oct. 12	Antoine Vargus	50	5		Typhoid Fever	Hanover, Mass.
Oct. 30	George Dymant	56	8	23	Pernicious Anaemia	Hull Street.
Nov. 1	William Parker Burbank	84	2	28	Valvular Disease of Heart	No. Main Street.
Nov. 27	Stanley Forsyth Litchfield		8	6	Accidental Poisoning	Beechwood Street.
Nov. 30	——— Litchfield			5	Premature Birth	Beechwood Street.
Dec. 2	Mary R. (Johnson) Cushing	55	6	19	Cerebral Hemorrhage	So. Main Street.
Dec. 6	William H. Bates	66	10		Phthisis Pulmonalis	King Street.
Dec. 14	Timothy S. Gale	73	11		Carcinoma of Neck and Face	Hingham, Mass.
Feb. 1, 1904	James M. Litchfield	1		14	Pneumonia	Weymouth, Mass.

1. Buried at Scituate. 2. Buried at No Scituate. 3. Buried at Hingham. 4. Buried at Massachusetts Crematory. 5. Buried at West Quincy. 6. Buried at Mt. Auburn, Cambridge. 7. Buried at Forest Hills, Boston. 8. Buried at Brookline.

The above list comprises fifty-two names, and includes fifteen who have died in other places, who were either residents of this town or were brought here for burial. Of the thirty-seven who died in this town, twenty-four were males and thirteen were females, and their average age was forty-four years, nine months and four days.

Seventeen were born in Cohasset, one in Surfside, one in Norwell, one in Hanover, two in Boston, two in Maine, one in New Brunswick, and twelve in foreign countries.

Eleven were under five years, none between ten and twenty, one between twenty and thirty, two between thirty and forty, one between forty and fifty, five between fifty and sixty, eight between sixty and seventy, six between seventy and eighty, two between eighty and ninety, and one over ninety years of age.

HARRY F. TILDEN,
Town Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1905.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1905.

In submitting their annual report of expenditures for the year ending Dec. 31, 1905, the Selectmen would call attention to some of the accounts rendered. The expenditure under the Board of Health was increased in consequence of the cleaning the scum from Strait's Pond and the pond near Pleasant beach, to which our attention was called by residents on the borders those ponds. We are trying the experiment of allowing the salt water to flow in and out each tide from November 1st until May 1st, 1906, thus cleansing the ponds, hoping another season the scum will not gather, as it seems to flourish best in fresh or brackish water.

Those interested in base ball desired to have the field on Pleasant street put in condition, and thinking it not a large job work was commenced, when it was found the diamond was not placed as it should be, thus necesitating more expense than was anticipated, and a back stop was also needed, which was built. The field is now in good shape for the coming season.

Under Commons the expenditures have included the Common and Pond, Osgood School lot, Paul Pratt Memorial Library, Common near carriage manufactory and the coming season will include the park corner, J. Road and North Main Street.

The dam and gate at head of cove gave way early last Spring and was rebuilt in a substantial manner, expense as rendered. The Tree Warden's account has been overdrawn

on account of the extra work in exterminating the gypsy and brown tail moths which will have to be continued the coming season. (See reports of Tree Wardens.)

The Woodside Cemetery was plowed and reseeded on the southerly half, as it had been planted and not laid down, the paths and roadways were cleaned up, a few shrubs and trees were planted last fall but have not been paid for, as it is intended to continue the work, using the unexpended balance and all sums received for lots in beautifying the grounds and care of same.

The State and County taxes were increased over 1904 by $5,086.74, the State tax will probably be less in 1906.

The appropriation for Town Hall was asked for at last Annual Meeting with the intention of putting needed repairs on the lower hall or old library room, this work is being done this winter using the unexpended balance as per report.

EXPENDITURES.

Town of Cohasset for the Year Ending December 31, 1905, by the Selectmen.

ABATEMENTS.

Paid abatement on taxes of 1890 .	$7 21	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1891 .	12 35	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1892 .	4 08	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1893 .	7 41	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1894 .	5 45	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1895 .	27 56	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1896 .	64 50	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1897 .	107 95	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1898 .	109 13	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1899 .	146 93	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1903 .	1,000 00	
Paid abatement on taxes of 1905 .	162 30	
		$1,654 87

BEECHWOOD STREET WIDENING.

Paid Aaron Pratt, additional award	$45 00
Thomas W. Whitcomb, additional award . . .	50 00
John W. Bates, additional award	15 00
A. Bradford Litchfield, additional award	20 00
George F. Hayden, additional award	20 00
Thomas Lincoln, additional award	10 00

Paid Hannah L. Stoddard, additional award . . .	$25 00	
Mary E. Bates, additional award	45 00	
		$230 00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid John W. Sidney, labor, St. Pond	$40 00	
Alfred Antoine, labor, St. Pond	48 00	
Oliver H. Howe, services .	4 50	
Vining Syndicate, advertising	40 00	
Charles H. Williams, labor, St. Pond	26 00	
John H. Wilbur, labor, St. Pond	8 00	
John H. Wilbur, labor, Pleasant Beach . . .	39 00	
James Dalton, labor, Pleasant Beach	20 00	
Frank J. Salvedor, labor, St. Pond	4 00	
Clarence E. Wilbur, labor, Pleasant Beach . .	10 00	
Harry L. Willard, team .	5 25	
Harry F. Tilden, burying horse	8 00	
Turkey Meadow Farm, burying horse	3 00	
Manuel E. Salvedor, use of boat	20 00	
Joseph M. Silvia, use of boat	12 00	
Manuel E. Salvedor, burying dog	2 00	

Paid Tower Bro. & Co., lime .	$15 00	
Warren F. Snow, fumigating	10 00	
Herbert L. Brown, services	5 00	
Philander Bates, services and expenses	27 00	
		$346 75

BRIDGES.

Paid Billings, King & Co., paint .	$48 60	
Tower Bros. & Co. . .	4 80	
Harry W. Lincoln, painting	93 50	
William J. Brennock, painting	82 50	
		$229 40

BEQUEST OF JAMES W. NICHOLS.

Paid Treas. of School Committee	$1000 00	

BALL FIELDS.

Paid Joseph R. Gott, labor .	$68 00	
William St. John, labor .	103 00	
Harry E. Robinson, labor .	85 00	
Andrew H. Prouty, labor .	14 00	
Elmer E. Bates, posts . .	10 00	
Tower Bros., lumber . .	25 42	
William O. Souther, team .	12 00	
Aaron Pratt, rent of field, Beechwood . . .	40 00	
		$357 42

BILLINGS-PRATT PARK.

Paid Tower Bros. & Co., settees .	$12 00	
George F. Sargent, labor .	9 00	
		$21 00

COMMONS AND POND.

Paid Benj. F. Morse, team and labor	$130 80	
Clarence E. Wilbur	102 00	
John H. Wilbur	46 00	
Eastern Metal Co.	17 00	
Edward L. Brickett, repairing mowers	15 00	
Tower Bros. & Co., cement, etc.	39 86	
Est. Allen C. Bates, mower, etc.	17 50	
Antoine E. Salvedor, labor	12 00	
Henry L. Willard, team	13 50	
		$393 66

COUNTY TAX.

Paid Charles H. Smith, Treasurer	$6,701 25

COMMONWEALTH.

Paid Treasurer, ¼ license fee	$325 00

DAM AND GATE AT COVE BRIDGE.

Paid Tower Bro. & Co., lumber and cement	$102 62
Antone E. Salvedor, labor	81 00
George F. Higgins, iron work	49 66
Daniel F. O'Brien, labor	21 00
Frank A. Pearson, labor	22 00
Henry E. Brennock, labor	54 00
Joseph Jason, team	16 25
Frank H. Pratt, labor	13 75
Benjamin Shaw & Co., stone	13 65
Lyman D. Willcutt, stone	10 00

Paid Cohasset Club Stable, team .	$3 00	
A. Eddelstein, bags . .	4 75	
Thomas W. Whitcomb, team	3 00	
P. Bates, leather . . .	75	
		$395 43

ENFORCEMENT OF LIQUOR LAW.

Paid Edwin F. Knight, services .	$12 20	
W. O. Crooker, services .	9 60	
G. A. Mann, services . .	5 70	
M. William Silvia . .	45 10	
		$72 60

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Orders of the Board of Fire Engineers . . .	$3,757 23	

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Orders of the Superintendant of Streets		$10,078 10

HIRED MONEY AND INTEREST.

Paid Cohasset Savings Bank .	$17,375 00	
Cohasset Savings Bank Int. .	2,315 39	
Hingham Institution for Savings	10,000 00	
Hingham Institution of Savings, Int. . . .	450 00	
Webster and Atlas Bank .	10,000 00	
Oliver H. Howe, Treas., Int.	307 20	
Philander Bates, Trustee	64 00	
Cohasset Savings Bank .	32,000 00	
		$72,511 59

HOSE HOUSE—NORTH COHASSET.

Paid Hingham Water Co., water .	$6 00	
Elastic Slate Roofing Co. .	110 50	
Charles A. Mead, curtains .	12 75	
		$129 25

HARBOR APPROPRIATION.

Paid Est. Allen C. Bates . .	$3 60	
Manuel E. Salvidor . .	12 00	
		$15 60

INSPECTION OF CATTLE.

Paid Darius W. Gilbert . .		$100 00

INSURANCE OSGOOD SCHOOL.

Paid Caleb Lothrop, agent . .	$258 75	
Philander Bates, agent .	168 75	
		$427 50

LEGAL COUNSEL.

Paid J. W. McAnarney . .	$288 60	
William H. Brown . .	35 00	
Thomas Mannix . . .	70 00	
		$393 60

MEMORIAL DAY.

Paid William F. Thayer, Quartermaster		$100 00

MILITARY AID.

Paid Robert L. Curtis . .	$120 00	
Willie F. Thayer . .	55 00	
		$175 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Tower Bros. & Co., lumber, pound	$16 01
L. Lincoln Worrick, labor, pound	8 75
Joseph St. John, grass seed .	9 57
John Flemming, court fees .	30 22
Frank Jason, court fees .	70
Joseph Jason, Jr., court fees	74 98
M. William Silvia, court fees	63 45
Edward E. Wentworth, court fees	10 64
Cohasset Club Stable, team, constable . . .	7 50
Henry L. Willard, team, constables	11 00
Henry L. Willard, carting ladders, 1904 . . .	5 00
Henry L. Willard, team assessors	5 00
Harry F. Tilden, team, constables	118 50
Harry F. Tilden, sundry accounts	18 50
Harry F. Tilden, barge .	7 50
Harry F. Tilden, Town Clerk and Regristrars . .	8 00
Harry F. Tilden, stationary and stamps . . .	20 96
Harry F. Tilden, express etc.	3 75
Harry F. Tilden, recording 67 births	33 50
Harry F. Tilden, recording 28 mariages . . .	5 60

Paid Harry F. Tilden, recording 54 deaths . . .	$10 80
Harry F. Tilden, issuing 3 returns	75
Harry F. Tilden, issuing 2 depositions . . .	1 00
Harry F. Tilden, issuing 38 permits	5 70
Harry F. Tilden, administring 62 oaths	15 50
Williom J. Brennock, keeper lockup	10 00
William J. Brennock, care prisoners	60 00
Philander Bates, postage, envelops, etc. . . .	23 79
Hobbs & Warren Co., record book	8 00
Edward Nichols, expenses .	10 00
Arthur H. Thayer . .	150 00
Arthur Raymond, tuning piano	2 50
E. L. Burdakin, copy of transferr	20 00
Martha P. Howe, Treas. election lunch . . .	10 00
C. Edward Fox . . .	150 00
Frank Sargent, street pump	1 50
George F. Sargent, Jr., signs	5 00
Daniel B. Francis, repairing pump	6 88
Kimballs Hotel, ent. Commissioners . . .	6 00
L. Lincoln Worrick, loss of heifer	35 00

Paid Cotton & Gould, stamp .	$1 50
Charles Wilson, loss of heifer	35 00
Edward F. Tyrer, loss of heifer	35 00
Central Cemetery Association on Old Cemetary . .	55 42
John S. Grassie, seal tail .	3 00
City of Quincy, board prisoner	1 25
Herbert L. Brown, B street	26
Newcomb B. Tower, postage, etc	37 45
Antoine L. Silvia, seal tail .	3 00
Central House, meals lock-up	3 50
Thomas L. Grassie, moving bath-house . . .	1 00
Samuel D. Tower, painting signs	21 00
Est. Allen C. Bates, fountains, etc . . .	3 20
Warren F. Snow, return deaths	6 50
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., freight	3 28
Edward E. H. Souther, book lock-up	4 00
Almshouse posts for pound .	3 20
Nathaniel W. Treat, drain S. Cove	8 25
Nathaniel W. Treat, Jr., drain S. Cove	2 50
H. E. Furnald, return births	9 75
Charles E. Nott, teaming and freight	10 86
William T. Tilden, election booths	8 00

Paid William T. Tilden, care clock	$30 00	
George Young, care of gate	12 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, bond .	30 00	
Newcomb B. Tower, expressage, etc	6 88	
Oliver H. Howe, return births	4 25	
Oliver H. Howe, expressage paid	1 65	
Tower Bro. & Co., sundries	5 09	
Joseph A. Antoine, court fees	70	
		$1,339 04

NEW ENGLAND TEL. & TEL. CO.

Paid Telephone service . .	$101 48	

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

Paid Treasurer of Paul Pratt Memorial Library . . .	$1,900 00	
Treasurer of Nantasket Library	100 00	
		$2,000 00

PARK.

JUNCTION OF NORTH MAIN STREET AND JERUSALEM ROAD.

Paid Charles V. Barnes, labor .	$13 75	
George Jason, team . .	50 00	
Clarence E. Wilbur, labor .	15 00	
Thomas A. Stevens, team .	37 50	
Cyrus W. Bates, team . .	20 00	
		$136 25

PRINTING.

Paid Gazette Pub. Co., town reports	$231 20	
Gazette Pub. Co., warrants and notices . . .	28 00	

Paid Boundbrook Press, tax bills, etc.	$46 25	
B. P. Murphy, Assessor's blanks	9 75	
Cotton & Gould, receipts, etc.	18 25	
Canton Journal, poll tax list	7 21	
Edward E. H. Souther, voting list	12 00	
Harry F. Tilden, paid printing	10 75	
Hingham Journal, ballots .	67 50	
		$430 91

POLICE.

Paid Frank Jason, night services .	$730 00	
John J. Grassie, night service	730 00	
Sidney L. Beal, night service	730 00	
Manuel P. Valine, night service	406 00	
Joseph A. Antoine, night service	370 00	
Robert F. Ainslaie, night service	184 00	
		$3,150 00

POLICE—SPECIAL.

Paid M. William Silvia . .	$22 50	
Thomas F. Kinsley . .	2 00	
John Flemming . . .	12 00	
Sidney L. Beal . . .	21 00	
Joseph Jason, Jr. . .	40 00	
John J. Grassie . . .	25 00	
Edwin F. Knight . .	57 65	
		$180 15

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid sundry persons as per report of Superintendant of Streets		$1,164 37

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee	$15,000 00	
Treasurer of School Committee, dog money . .	470 13	
Treasurer of School Committee, Int. Ripley Fund .	35 30	
Treasurer of School Committee, Rep. Beechwood school house, 1904 . . .	1,113 35	
		$16,618 78

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Paid Philander Bates costs and expenses as defendant in the case of Patrick Griffin as per vote of the town passed at the Annual Town Meeting held March 6, 1905 .		$1,201 64

STREET LIGHTS.

Paid Treas. Cohasset Electric Co.		$5,950 00

STREET WATERING.

Paid Est. Alden Beal District 1 .	$450 00	
George Jason, District 2 .	365 00	
George Jason, District 3 .	350 00	
William Mulvey, District 4 .	335 00	
Oliver H. Bates, District 5 .	445 00	

Paid George F. Higgins, repairing carts	$48 50	
Thomas A. Tower, repairing carts	15 50	
Tower Bros. & Co., gasoline, etc.	83 06	
Lot W. Bates, rent for tank	15 00	
F. E. Whitney, repairs engine, etc. . . .	18 40	
Hingham Water Co. . .	148 00	
Harry R. Pratt, batteries .	7 30	
John H. Wilbur, labor .	3 00	
John L. Jason, repairs cart	3 00	
Charles S. Sprague, batteries	2 10	
Joseph A. Valine, care pump	30 00	
Henry E. Brennock, repairs and care pump . . .	47 00	
Harry F. Tilden, use cart, 1904 and 1905 . . .	$57 00	
Charles E. McKensie, repairing cart	51 75	
William J. Brennock, painting tank	5 50	
Joseph E. Grassie, rent for tank	15 00	
Samuel D. Tower, painting cart	28 00	
		$2,523 11

STATE AID.

Paid Harriet J. Apts . . .	$48 00	
Martha Barnes . . .	48 00	
Clarinda R. Bennett . .	48 00	
Frederic N. Curtis . .	72 00	
Susan Curtis . . .	48 00	

Paid Alfred Haskell . . .	$72 00	
Mary Murphy . . .	48 00	
Ellen M. Newcomb . .	48 00	
Emma Powers . . .	48 00	
Rose A. DeSantos . .	48 00	
William F. Thayer . .	72 00	
Joseph E. Butman , .	25 00	
		$625 00

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' RELIEF.

Paid Margaret Nott . . .	$48 00	
Emily N. Phinney . .	72 00	
Leander W. Groce . .	96 00	
Mrs. Mary Morey . .	174 50	
Ellen M. Newcomb . .	124 79	
John C. Orcutt . . .	24 00	
Robert L. Curtis . . .	8 50	
		$547 79

STRAITS' POND.

Paid Alfred Beal, care of gate .	$80 00	
H. A. Tibbetts & Son, labor	10 94	
Foley Brothers, labor . .	3 75	
County store, forks, etc .	1 35	
Frank O'Connor, labor .	2 40	
		$98 44

STATE TAXES.

Paid Treasurer of Commonwealth		
State Tax . . .	$8,320 00	
Metropolitan Park Tax .	479 10	
State Highway Tax . .	22 09	
		$8,821 19

TREE WARDEN.

Paid Henry L. McMahon and others	$194 55	
John Clark and others	1,202 86	
		$1,397 41

TOWN HALL.

Paid William T. Tilden, janitor	$300 00	
William T. Tilden, for sundries	4 10	
William T. Tilden, labor sheds	13 75	
Robert F. Leighton, electirc work	55 35	
Cohasset Electric Co., lights	188 24	
Tower Bros. & Co., coal and lumber	100 80	
Lincoln Bros., ltd., coal.	192 32	
Charles V. Barnes, labor, sheds	12 38	
Edgar J. Pratt, repairs	11 75	
Harry W. Lincoln, set. glass	1 50	
Est. Allen C. Bates, sundries	8 30	
		$888 49

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS.

Paid Treasurer of School Committee		$2,700 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Philander Bates, services and expenses as Selectman	$207 50	
Joseph S. Bigelow, services and expenses as Selectman	125 00	
Herbert L. Brown, services and expenses as Selectman	150 00	

Paid Philander Bates, services and expenses as Assessor .	$229 40
Joseph S. Bigelow, services and expenses as Assessor .	150 00
Herbert L. Brown, services and expenses as Assessor .	200 00
Philander Bates, services and expenses on corporation tax	24 00
Herbert L. Brown, services and expenses on corporation tax	15 00
Newcomb B. Tower, services as Collector and Treasurer	1,000 00
Philander Bates, services and expenses as Superintendent of Streets . . .	1,000 00
A. Bradford Litchfield, Constable, 1904 . . .	50 00
A. Bradfield Litchfield, Constable, 1905 . . .	50 00
Sidney L. Beal, Constable, 1904	35 00
Sidney L. Beal, Constable, 1905	37 00
Edward E. Wentworth, Constable	62 00
Henry E. Brennock, Constable	50 00
Manuel S. Enos, Constable .	50 00
John Flemming, Constable .	50 00
Joseph A. Antoine, Constable	50 00
John Roche, Constable to March 6, 1905 . . .	9 50
Joseph Jason, services and expenses as Harbor Master 1904	31 00

Paid Joseph Jason, services and expenses as Harbor Master 1905	$25 00
Paul J. Bates, sealer of weights and measures . . .	50 00
Harry F. Tilden, services as Town Clerk . . .	100 00
Harry F. Tilden, services as Registrar	30 00
Caleb F. Nichols, services as Registrar	30 00
John L. Pratt, services as Registrar	27 00
George O. Higgins . .	30 00
William H. Morris, election officer	3 50
John M. Damon, election officer	7 00
John Roche, election officer	10 50
George Jason, election officer	10 50
George P. Neagle, election officer	10 50
Eugene N. Tower, election officer	3 50
Edgar W. Bates, election officer	3 50
Abraham J. Antoine . .	3 50
Thomas L. Bates . .	3 50
Spencer H. Stoughton, election officer . . .	7 00
Frank W. Wheelwright, election officer . . .	3 50
Amos A. Lawrence, election officer	3 50

Paid Newcomb B. Tower, election officer	$3 50	
George L. Davenport, service recount	3 00	
Ezekiel L. James, Auditor .	25 00	
		$3,968 90

WATER FOR HYDRANTS.

Paid Cohasset Water Co. . .	$3,325 00	
Hingham Water Co. . .	175 00	
		$3,500 00

WOODSIDE CEMETERY.

Paid Turkey Meadow Farm, plowing	$27 50	
Benjamin F. Morse, labor and team	30 50	
Clarence E. Wilbur, labor .	13 00	
Horace W. White, labor .	13 00	
John H. Wilbur, labor .	13 00	
Tower Bro. & Co., seed .	9 11	
George L. Davenport, blue print	21 50	
Newcomb B. Tower, writing deeds	3 50	
		$131 11

ESTIMATES.

Amounts as estimated by the Selectmen required for the current expenses of the town for the year 1906:

For payment of debt	$5,375 00
payment of interest	2,500 00
support of schools	15,000 00

For transportation of scholars . . .	$2,800 00
support and relief of poor . . .	6,500 00
highways and sidewalks . . .	10,000 00
electric lights	6,250 00
water for hydrants, public buildings, etc.	3,550 00
watering streets	2,800 00
soldiers' and sailors' relief . . .	550 00
town officers	3,800 00
night police	3,500 00
special police	100 00
fire department	1,200 00
removing snow	500 00
public libraries	2,000 00
memorial day	100 00
printing	300 00
military aid	150 00
inspection of cattle	100 00
town hall	800 00
board of health	200 00
tree warden	600 00
incidentals	1,500 00
town common	300 00
straits' pond	100 00
	$70,575 00

LIST OF JURORS DRAWN.

During the Year 1905.

March 18, John E. Frates, Grand Juror.
March 24, John T. Keating, Superior Court.
June 5, Fred G. James, Superior Court.
August 29, Joseph E. Grassie, Superior Court.
September 23, John W. Hunt, Superior Court.
December 16, Edgar W. Bates, Superior Court.

LIST OF JURORS.

Submitted by the Selectmen to the town for revision and acceptance at the annual Town Meeting in March, 1906.

William C. Appleton,
Abraham J. Antoine,
Walter D. Brooks,
Franklin Beal,
James S. Beal,
Joseph S. Bigelow, Jr.
William DeFord Bigelow,
Fred C. Blossom,
James E. Brennock,
Augustus S. Burgess,
Willard J. Coombs,
B. Preston Clark,
Herbert R. Gott,
Joshua F. Higgins,
George Jason,
Joseph St. John,
Arthur R. Keene,
Fred G. James,
Ezekiel L. James,
Thomas F. Kinsley,
Charles C. Lincoln,
Levi T. Lincoln,
Benjamin F. Morse,
Henry R. Nickerson,
George T. Neagle,
John J. A. Pratt,
Andrew H. Prouty,
Edwin H. Pope,
Clarence Studley,
Manuel E. Salvedor,
George H. Stevens,
George F. Sargent, Jr.,
Edwin F. Souther,
Herbert A. Tilden,
Frank W. Wheelwright,
Cyrus W. Wood.

ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Due from Commonwealth for State and Military Aid	$712 50
Commonwealth, burial pauper .	15 00
City of Boston, assistance rendered poor	460 11
City of Cambridge, assistance rendered poor	82 50
City of Brockton, assistance rendered poor	72 00

Due from Town of Scituate, assistance rendered poor	$144 00
Town of Deerfield, assistance rendered poor	94 00
Levi E. Tower, assistance rendered	181 64
Charles H. Willard, as per last report	1,081 75
Julia A. Glynn	320 66
Sundry amounts due on almshouse account	31 00
Pumping Plant, Border street	800 00
Pumping Plant, Beechwood street	500 00
Four sprinkling wagons	900 00
Odorless excavator	300 00
Steam Roller and building	2,000 00
Two water tanks, North Main street	150 00
Balance in treasury	12,072 57
	$19,917 73
Total debt of town	62,754 84
Deduct assets	19,917 73
Net debt	42,837 11

INDEBTNESS OF THE TOWN

December 30, 1905.

OSGOOD SCHOOL HOUSE DEBT ISSUED JAN. 1, 1901.

Note to Cohasset Savings Bank, due 1906	$1,375 00
" " " " " 1907	1,375 00
" " " " " 1908	1,375 00
" " " " " 1909	1,375 00
" " " " " 1910	1,375 00
	$6,875 00

FUNDED DEBT.

Cohasset Savings Bank, 8 Notes $4,000 each, issued December 16, 1905, one of which becomes due each year, 1906 to 1913, inclusive	$32,000 00

DEMAND LOAN.

Cohasset Savings Bank, 2 Notes, 1897 . .	$10,000 00
" " " 1 " 1898 .	3,000 00
Cohasset Free Public Library, 1 Note March 10, 1904	3,068 43
Cohasset Free Public Library, 1 Note Dec. 31, 1904	4,611 41
Philander Bates Trustee, 1 Note July 11, 1905	3,200 00
	$23,879 84
Total Interest Bearing Debt . .	$62,754 84

TABLE OF AGGREGATES.

Valuation of real estate, May 1, 1904,	$3,455,232 00
Valuation of personal estate, May 1, 1904	2,951,997 00
Total valuation, May 1, 1604	$6,407,229 00
Valuation of real estate, May 1, 1905	$3,513,981 00
Valuation of personal estate, May 1, 1905	3,061,554 00
Total valuation . . .	$6,575,535 00
Increase in real valuation . .	$58,749 00
Increase in personal valuation . .	109,557 00
Number of polls, May 1, 1905 .	722
State tax, 1905	8,320 00
Metropolitan Park tax, 1905 . .	479 10

Repairs state highways, 1905 . .	22 09
County tax, 1905	6,701 25
Town grant, 1905	58,748 35
Overlayings, 1905	2,204 09
Total tax assessed, 1905 .	$76,474 88
Total rate per $1,000, 1905 . .	$11 00
Number of persons assessed . .	1242
Number of persons assessed on property, May 1, 1905 .	872
Number of persons assessed poll tax only	370
Number of dwellings assessed, 1905	702
Number of horses assessed, 1905 .	419
Number of cows assessed, 1905 .	255
Number of neat cattle assessed, 1905	27
Number of swine assessed, 1905 .	19
Number of fowl assessed, 1905 .	1593
Number of acres of land assessed, 1905	5917
Population of the town as per last census 1905 . . .	2,727
A gain of 253 since 1895 . .	
Males	1,271
Females	1,456

REPORT OF THE

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

For the year ending December 31, 1905.

In submitting their annual report of expenditures for the support and releif of the poor, would say we have endeavored to care for the poor and needy as best we could under the circumstances, making sure that no worthy person should go uncared for or their necessities unreleived.

The need of a new almshouse becomes more of a necessity each year and we hope the coming season will see one provided, suitably arranged for the purpose for which it is needed.

At the Annual Meeting to be held March 5th., a plan for a new building with estimates of the entire cost of construction will be brought before the town for their approval and adoption, and we sincerely hope the matter may be delayed no longer.

The following is an account of the payments and receipts on account of the almshouse and relief to the outside poor.

ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Russell B. Murray, wood, .	$70 00
George W. Tinkham, salary .	650 00
George W. Tinkham, difference trading horses . .	130 00
Philander Bates, boots, shoes and repairing . . .	46 85
H. L. Brown, groceries .	124 11
Joseph St. John, groceries .	237 90
Harry F. Tilden, grain .	126 48

Paid Harry F. Tilden, team .	$6 00
Arthr H. Thayer, meats .	111 59
George F. Higgins, repairs .	11 30
Tower Bros. & Co., coal, etc.	103 37
Lincoln Bros, Ltd., coal, etc.	99 37
Michael Sweeney, nursing .	117 00
M. G. Seaverns & Co., furnnishings	11 25
Mass. Ploughman . .	2 00
Gohasset Supply Co., groceries	82 22
Frank W. Brown, medicines, etc.	53 95
Est. Francis H. Nichols, dry goods.	76 19
Norris Bros. & Co., grain and groceries	242 68
Charles E. McKenzie, smithing	24 25
Samuel D. Tower, painting .	12 00
Alban D. Gillis, smithing, 1904	17 50
Alban D. Gillis . . .	16 25
Est. Allen C. Bates, tinware, etc.	65 80
E. H. Vining, clothing, boots and shoes . . .	39 75
M. J. Sullivan, repairing harness	13 50
Frank E. Winslow, meats, etc.	179 19
Edward E. H. Souther, globe	6 00
Edward E. H. Souther, tobacco	3 00
D. P. Sylvester, fish, etc. .	70 04

Paid George K. Nickeson, meats	$89 81	
Thomas W. Whitcomb, dressing hogs	4 50	
Edgar J. Pratt, repairs	2 58	
John Regan, labor	3 00	
Samuel James, use of stock	4 00	
F. W. Brown, alcohol	3 00	
Cobb Aldrich, goods	3 25	
Cash to inmates	32 20	
Arthur Merrit, filing saws	1 30	
Hunt & Co., goods	7 75	
Mrs. B. Morse, washing	5 50	
Martin Hanson, fish	1 00	
Daniel Sullivan, use of stock	8 00	
L. A. Douglass, pants	2 00	
Thomas Stanley, repair furniture	2 50	
Charles Seaverns, goods	1 91	
Patrick Keef, labor haying	22 00	
Warren Lothrop, pigs	10 00	
Harry White, fish	2 35	
Sundray bills	20 60	
		$2,976 79

SERVICES OF OVERSEERS AT ALMSHOUSE.

Paid Philander Bates	$35 00	
Joseph S. Bigelow	15 00	
Herbert L. Brown	15 00	
		$65 00

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT. CREDIT.

Received from William A. Brown, milk	$27 96
George Jason and others, pasturing	26 00

Received from Patrick Keefe, pig	$5 00	
John Mings, cow . .	50 00	
Louisa Burbank, wood .	27 00	
John Beal, hay . . .	60 00	
Frank E. Winslow, hay, etc.	66 47	
Posts for pound . . .	3 20	
Removing snow . . .	18 50	
Philander Bates, trustee for John J. Lothrop . .	133 89	
Cohasset Supply Co., eggs .	2 40	
Henry Kimball, pasturage .	6 00	
Due from L. Lincoln Worrick pasturage . . .	10 00	
Due from Edward F. Tyrer, wintering heifer . .	15 00	
Sundry cash sales . .	37 00	
Board of 180 tramps . .	72 00	
		$560 92

SUMMARY ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Total debit brought forward .	$2,976 79
Total credit brought forward .	560 92
Net debit exclusive of Overseers' services	$2,415 87

The following persons have received their support at the almshouse during the full year 1905:

John E. Groce.
William C. Hayden,
John R. Colbraith,
John J. Lothrop, boarder,
Lillian F. Litchfield,
Hester A. Harris,
Southward Pratt.

For a Portion of the Year:

Michael Sweeney,
Albert H. Burdick,
Albert Joy,
Edgar Harris,
Ann Cole,
James O'Neil,

RECORD BY MONTHS OF TRAMPS LODGED AT THE ALMSHOUSE DURING 1905.

January,	30	May,	12	September,	4
February,	61	June,	3	October,	2
March,	43	July,	0	November,	0
April,	20	Agust,	0	December,	5
					180

PARTIAL SUPPORT RENDERED OUTSIDE THE ALMSHOUSE.

For the Year Ending December 31st, 1904.

Assistance rendered sundry persons as follows:

Mrs. John J. Ainslaie and daughter.

Paid Antoine J. Silvia, agent, rent	$96 00	
Philander Bates, boots and repairing	7 70	
Tower Bros. & Co., coal and wood	34 55	
		$138 25

Joseph W. Almeida, Wife and three Children.

Paid order on Treasurer . .	$20 00	
Lincoln Bros. Ltd., coal .	28 26	
H. L. Brown, groceries .	69 16	
		$117 42

Frank Andrews, Wife and one Child.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries .	$34 31

Daniel P. Arnold Wife

Paid order on Treasurer . .	$203 00

William Almeida and Wife.

Paid order on Treasurer . .	$10 00

Lena Anderson.

Paid City of Boston . . .	$110 00

Mrs. Ephraim Battles.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .		$192 00

Joseph F. Bandura, Wife and Five Children.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .	$255 00	
Philander Bates, boots . .	6 10	
Frank W. Brown, medicine .	2 40	
Joseph St. John, flour . .	6 75	
		$270 25

Mrs. Louisa Burbank.

Paid Lot W. Bates, house rent .	$48 00	
H. L. Brown, groceries .	108 91	
Tower Bros. & Co., coal .	24 00	
Almshouse, wood . .	27 00	
Samuel E. Pratt, milk . .	20 98	
Elmer E. Bates, wood . .	8 00	
George K. Nickerson, meats	29 66	
		$266 55

Henry L. Bates and Wife.

Paid Town of Whitman . .		$18 00

Lewis G. Bates, Wife and Three Children.

Paid Lot Phillips, house rent .		$28 00

Mrs. Frank Beiler.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries .	$24 77	
Charles H. Hackett, wood .	2 50	
		$27 27

Oren and Lorenzo Beal.

Paid County Store, groceries .	$33 69	
Order on Treasurer . .	60 00	
		$93 69

Gertrude Carlson and Daughter.

Paid Orders on Treasurer . .	$130 00	
Frances C. Tower, house rent	84 00	

Paid Philander Bates, boots and repairs	$5 30	
Est. Levi L. Nichols, house rent 1904 . . .	18 00	
H. E. Furnald, med. attendance	22 35	
Frank E. Winslow, meats .	6 00	
		$265 65

Mrs. Catherine Coyne and four Children.

Paid Everett Loud, groceries .	$265 50	
Philander Bates, boots and shoes	38 45	
Minot P. Gary, house rent .	65 00	
Order on Treasurer . .	25 00	
Charles T. Leavitt, coal .	7 00	
Mrs. E. C. Stewart, treating hand	4 00	
		$404 95

Joseph Caton and Wife.

Paid order on Treasurer . .		$10 00

Mrs. Manuel Cadose.

Paid P. J. Green, house rent .		$57 50

George A. Damon.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .		$48 00

Mrs. William Dean and four Children.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .		$40 00

Louis J. Frates.

Paid order on Treasurer . .	$72 00	
Philander Bates, boots .	3 00	
		$75 00

Percy Ford, Wife and three Children.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .	$47 00	

Paid H. E. Fernald, medical attendance . . .	$25 00	
		$72 00

John W. Frates, Wife and three Children.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .	$30 00	
Philander Bates, boots .	2 50	
		$32 50

Mary Frates.

Paid Fred E. Jones, medical attendance		$10 00

Thomas S. Grassie, Wife and five Children.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .	$386 75	
Tower Bros & Co., coal .	13 59	
Philander Bates, boots and repairs	12 70	
		$413 04

Elizabeth Hammond.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .		$150 00

Mrs. Patrick Hannifin and two Children.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .		$25 00

Mrs. Horatio Jacobs and four Children.

Paid Lydia J. Adams, nursing .	$25 00	
O. O. Smith, boots . .	5 00	
Charles E. West, house rent .	42 00	
Philander Bates, boots .	7 10	
Tower Bros. & Co., coal and wood	35 34	
Sidney L. Beal, clothing .	2 69	
Nantasket Heating & Plumbing Co.	7 50	
Country Store, groceries .	96 04	
H. E. Fernald, medical attendance	14 00	
		$234 67

William H. Litchfield Wife and two Children.

Paid M. G. Seaverns & Co., goods	$16 50	
Philander Bates, boots .	2 00	
Lincoln Bros. Ltd., coal and wood	32 68	
Main Steet Grocer, groceries	17 92	
Emeline Jacobs, house rent .	60 00	
Mrs. Manuel Jason, board .	20 00	
Mrs. Joseph Jason, Jr., nursing	12 00	
Harry F. Tilden, team .	2 75	
Oliver H. Howe, med. attendance	1 50	
		$165 35

Parquale Langell.

Paid Warren F. Snow, undertaker	$31 75	

Mrs. Patrick Lyons.

Paid Lincoln Bros. Ltd, coal .	$7 50	

Antoine Peter.

Paid Orders on Treasurer . .	$120 00	
Cohasset Club Stable . .	5 55	
		$125 55

Harry E. Robinson Wife and three Children.

Paid Orders on Treasurer . .	$35 00	
Lincoln Bros. Ltd., coal .	8 55	
		$43 55

Mrs. Mary Roderic and three Children.

Paid orders on Treasurer .	$110 00	
E. H. Vining, boots . .	5 25	
Philander Bates, boots and repairs	21 85	
Charles H. Hackett, wood .	9 00	
		$146 10

Mrs. John Silvia and Son.

Paid orders on the Treasurer .	$156 00	
Cohasset Club Stable, moving	3 50	
		$159 50

Frank Silvia.

Paid George F. Sargent, grave .		$4 00

Manuel A. Silvia and Wife.

Paid H. L. Brown, groceries .		$82 50

Joseph E. Smith.

Paid orders on the Treasurer .		$15 00

Manuel C. Sousa.

Paid Warren F. Snow, undertaker	$30 00	
Central Cemetery Association	5 00	
		$35 00

Joseph F. Silvia, Jr.

Paid orders on Treasurer . .		$15 00

Thomas A. Tower Wife and five Children.

Paid George F. Hayden, boots .	$23 50	
Mary E. Bates, house rent .	62 50	
Tower Bros. & Co., coal .	23 16	
H. L. Brown, groceries .	90 61	
		$199 77

Levi E. Tower.

Paid Polly N. Palmer, nursing .	$50 00	
Town of Hingham . .	126 64	
C. B. Bridgham, medical attendance . . .	5 00	
		$181 64

Antoine Vargus, Wife, one Child.

Paid Peter E. Smith, house rent .	$42 20	

Paid C. F. Marble, house rent .	$18 00	
Order on Treasurer . .	15 00	
George F. Sargent, grave .	4 00	
Thomas F. Ash, medical attendance . . .	90 00	
Easterns Pharmacy, medicine	1 50	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, undertaker	1 50	
	30 00	
H. A. Bray, moving furniture	8 00	
Oscar T. Vargus, board .	38 50	
		$247 00

Charles H. Williams and four Children.

Paid Aaron Pratt, house rent .	$84 00	
Order on Treasurer . .	10 00	
		$94 00

Thomas Williston.

Paid City of Boston . . .	$15 00

Mrs. Joseph H. Wilson.

Paid Saint Elizabeth Hospital .	$35 00

Mrs. John P. Williams.

Paid City of Gloucester . .	$ 85
Dr. Charles B. Bridgham, town physician . .	250 00

Outside Partial Support—Credit.

Amount due from City of Boston,		
assistance rendered Mrs. Jacobs and children . .	$234 67	
assistance rendered Harry E. Robinson and famity .	43 55	

Amount due from City of Cambridge, assistance rendered Manual A. Silvia and wife	$82 50	
due from City of Brockton, assistance rendered Percy G. Ford and family . .	72 00	
due from town of Deerfield, assistance rendered Charles H. Williams and children	94 00	
due from town of Scituate, assistance rendered George C. Damon . . .	48 00	
due from Levi E. Tower, as per account . . .	181 64	
		$756 36
due from Commonwealth, burial pauper . . .		15 00
		$771 36
Total debit outside poor . .	$5,201 11	
Total credit outside poor . .	771 36	
Net cost outside poor . .		$4,429 75

Services and expenses of the Overseers of the Poor Outside the Almshouse.

Paid Philander Bates . . .	$66 80	
Joseph S. Bigelow . .	10 00	
Herbert L. Brown . .	25 00	
		$101 80

Summary and Cost of Support and Assistance to Poor.

Net cost for the Support at Almshouse	$2,415 87	
Net cost for assistance rendered outside of Almshouse . .	4,429 75	
Overseers of the Poor for services	166 80	
Total net cost for support and assistance to the Poor . .		$7,012 42

Respectfully submitted.

PHILANDER BATES,
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,
HERBERT L. BROWN,
Overseers of the Poor.

Cohasset, December 31, 1905.

RECAPITULATION, 1905.

ITEMS.	Page.	Orders Drawn.	Credits.	Net Expenditures.	Appropriations.	With No Appropriations.	Excess of Appropriation.	Less Than Appropriation.
Abatements	47	$1,654 87		$1,654 87		$1,654 87		
Beechwood Street Widening	47	230 00		330 00		230 00		
Board of Health	48	346 75		346 75	$200 00		$146 75	
Bridges	49	229 40		229 40		229 40		
Bequest of James W. Nichols	49	1,000 00		1,000 00				
Ball Fields	49	357 42		357 42		357 42		
Billings-Pratt Park	49	21 00		21 00		21 00		
Commons	50	393 66		393 66	300 00		93 66	
County Tax	50	6,701 25		6,701 25	6,701 25			
Commonwealth	50	325 00		325 00				
Dam and Gate, Cove Bridge	50	395 43		395 43		395 43		
Enforcement of Liquor Law	51	72 60		72 60		72 60		
Fire Department	51	3,757 23		3,757 23	3,700 00		57 23	
Highways	51	10,078 10	$78 10	10,000 00	10,000 00			
Hired Money	51	69,375 00		69,375 00	69,275 00			
Hose House, North Cohasset	52	129 25	100 00	29 25		29 25		
Harbor Appropriation	52	15 60		15 60	500 00			$484 40
Interest	52	3,136 59	492 09	2,644 50	3,100 00			455 50
Inspection of Cattle	52	100 00		100 00	100 00			
Insurance, Osgood School	52	427 50		427 50		427 50		
Legal Counsel	52	393 60		393 60		393 60		
Memorial Day	52	100 00		100 00	100 00			
Military Aid	52	175 00	132 00	43 00	200 00			157 00
Miscellaneous	53	1,339 04		1,339 04	1,300 00		39 04	
New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	56	101 48		101 48		101 48		
Public Libraries	56	2,000 00		2,000 00	2,000 00			
Park, cor. Jerusalem rd. & No. Main st.	56	136 25		136 25		136 25		

Printing	56	430 91		430 91	350 00		80 91	
Police	57	3,150 00		3,150 00	3,000 00		150 00	
Police—Special	57	180 15		180 15	300 00			119 85
Removing Snow	58	1,164 37		1,164 37	1,500 00			335 63
Support of Schools	58	16,618 78		16,618 78	16,618 78			
Superintendent of Streets	58	1,201 64		1,201 64		1,201 64		
Street Lights	58	5,950 00		5,950 00	5,760 00		190 00	
Street Watering	58	2,523 11	466 00	2,057 11	2,500 00			442 89
State Aid	59	625 00		625 00				
Soldiers' and Sailors' Relief	60	547 79		547 79	700 00			152 21
Support and Relief of Poor	70	8,344 70	1,332 28	7,012 42	6,500 00		512 42	
Strait's Pond	60	98 44		98 44	150 00			51 56
State Taxes	60	8,821 19		8,821 19	8,821 19			
Tree Warden	61	1,397 41		1,397 41	500 00		897 41	
Town Hall	61	888 49	228 00	660 49	1,200 00			767 51
Transportation of Scholars	61	2,700 00		2,700 00	2,700 00			
Town Officers	61	2,968 90		3,968 90	3,500 00		468 90	
Water for Hydrants	64	3,500 00		3,500 00	3,450 00		50 00	
Woodside Cemetery	64	131 11		131 11				
Totals		$165,234 01	$2,828 47	$162,405 54	$155,126 22	$5,250 34	$2,686 32	$2,966 55

PHILANDER BATES,
JOSEPH S. BIGELOW,
HERBERT L. BROWN,
Selectmen of Cohasset.

Cohasset, December 31, 1905.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

To the Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit my report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending Dec. 31, 1905.

As indicated in my report for 1904 the work of completing the widening of Beechwood street, as ordered by the County Commissioners, was done in connection with the repairs of highways and the amount expended was paid from the appropriation for highways. The amount expended in carrying out the order of the Commission has been, for land damage, $3,189.00, of which amount the county returned $1,544.50, leaving $1,644.50 as the amount paid by the town. The cost of construction has been:

Amount in 1903	$3,627 52
Amount in 1904	3,319 03
Amount in 1905	850 00
	$7,796 55
Land damage	$1,644 50
Total cost	$9,441 05

Work was also done on Lincoln Hillside roads in extending Norfork road to the ball grounds and the road leading from Cushing road to the dwelling of Frank F. Antoine, and the balance of the special appropriation and something over on the other roads. The coming season a section of North Main street, near the railroad crossing, will have to be re-

built on account of the extra track built by the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., which should be done as soon as possible after the annual meeting. I recommend an appropriation of $10,000 for the ensuing year.

The removal of snow has not exceeded the appropriation as will be seen by the recapitulation table.

The following are the amounts paid for crushed stone, gravel, teams and labor on highways and sidewalks, and amounts paid for removing snow from sidewalks and streets.

Paid John Beal	$306 90
J. Loring Litchfield	13 00
John H. Wilbur	249 00
Clarence E. Wilbur	216 00
Benjamin F. Morse	353 50
Lorenzo Beal	59 00
John Kenedy	289 00
George Jason	55 00
Joseph Frates	44 00
Manuel Sousa	26 00
Manuel S. Leonard	236 97
Thomas A. Stevens	97 50
Russell B. Murray	212 50
Elmer E. Bates	126 57
William W. Bates	71 88
Frank M. Nichols	32 10
George W. Mealey	200 00
John W. Bates	114 15
Harry E. Robinson	69 00
William St. John	40 00
Fred G. James	363 38
Andrew H. Prouty	118 00
Lane Quarry Co.	1,396 83
James Lean	83 50
Mary R. Cushing	223 75

Paid Turkey Meadow Farm .	$169 50
Arthur A. Davenport . .	312 50
Joseph F. Priest . .	100 00
Joseph E. Grassie . .	195 00
Charles W. Gammons Trustee	63 67
Buffalo Steam Roller Co .	4 00
Thomas W. Whitcomb .	148 50
Waldo C. Locke . . .	79 25
Arthur Mulvey . . .	474 30
Stephen Reilly . . .	261 83
Alson S. Richardson . .	139 55
Charles E. McKensie . .	42 87
Manuel R. Silvia . . .	272 75
Harry Reed . . .	6 00
Lincoln Bros., Ltd. . .	76 79
Joseph P. DeSantos . .	104 00
Samuel L. Williams . .	244 50
Joseph Jason . . .	87 50
Daniel DeMello . .	91 00
Harry F. Tilden . .	70 00
William Mulvey . . .	130 50
Tower Bros. & Co. . .	62 27
Mathew Haley . . .	10 00
James Dalton . . .	87 00
Edgar W. Bates . . .	110 60
Chase, Parker & Co. . .	9 99
Harry O. Wood . . .	41 50
William H. Reed . .	90 00
Antoine E. Salvedor . .	18 00
M. G. Seaverns & Co. .	25 00
John Bean	29 00
Cohasset Livery and Sale Stables	22 50
Walter P. Bates . . .	17 00
Edwin Bates . . .	26 50

Paid Ellery C. Bates . . .	$18 00	
Frank Stoddard . . .	130 25	
George F. Sargent . .	85 11	
Theo. Mathies . . .	73 56	
Charles Gale . . .	14 11	
Joseph R. Gott . . .	79 25	
George L. Davenport . .	4 00	
Cyrus W. Bates . . .	107 50	
Frank Mitchell . . .	21 00	
Aaron Pratt . . .	25	
Benjamin Shaw & Co. . .	82 68	
Est. Allen C. Bates . .	151 05	
George W. Ennice . .	88 50	
Levi L. Worrick . .	10 00	
Cyrus R. Keene . . .	5 00	
Spencer H. Stoughton .	151 83	
Thomas Loney . . .	92 00	
Frank W. Wheelwright .	216 05	
Robert L. Cushing . .	7 50	
Ira N. Pratt . . .	20 00	
Joseph W. Whitcomb .	61 66	
Oliver H. Bates . . .	24 76	
Mary E. Bates . . .	8 50	
George F. Higgins . .	4 64	
		$10,078 10

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid Samuel E. Pratt . .	$34 25	
Gustavus Pratt . . .	1 25	
George Weir . . .	1 12	
Ellery C. Bates . . .	5 87	
John W. Bates . . .	6 25	
Walthr P. Bates . . .	4 50	
Herbert Apts . . .	30	
Antoine Gonsalves . .	1 50	

Paid	Edwin W. Bates	$ 50
	Charles Bennett	50
	Harry O. Wood	4 25
	Fred Fuller	8 51
	Harry R. Pratt	2 00
	Rufus A. Bates	1 00
	John Vinal	2 00
	David R. Damon	1 25
	Manuel A. Silvia	1 62
	Roscoe Pratt	2 50
	S. Chester Pratt	8 25
	Charles Gale	50
	Theo. Mathies	1 12
	Fred R. Maitland	75
	Chesbrook Stoughton	7 50
	John Pratt	1 75
	Lot E. Bates	63
	Thomas A. Stevens	9 75
	Spencer H. Stoughton	3 63
	Edward Reilley	3 75
	John T. Keating	3 75
	Harry Donovan	2 00
	Daniel F. Donovan	1 50
	George Mulhern	5 50
	William Lee	22 50
	James L. Rooney	75
	Edward F. Powers	1 00
	Frank Stoddard	7 25
	Daniel P. Arnold	1 00
	Andrew J. Arnold	1 00
	Harry White	7 00
	Horace W. White	5 00
	Levi L. Worrick	7 00
	Clarence E. Wilbur	7 75
	Timothy S. Gale	3 00

Paid Almshouse	$18 50
John E. F. Frates . .	1 75
John Sidney . . .	75
Patrick Grassie . . .	4 50
Phillip Towle . . .	4 25
Joseph Donovan . . .	2 00
Timothy Donovan . .	5 00
Lewis Kilburn . . .	2 00
Arthur Donovan . . .	2 55
Alfred Antoine . . .	4 25
Arthur Wood . . .	60
Charles I. Silvia . .	3 25
Frank J. Salvedor . .	6 00
Joseph Oliver . . .	4 00
Ignatius Francis . . .	1 80
C. Sumner McGaw . .	1 75
Manuel Silvia . . .	4 63
Antoine Silvia . . .	4 63
John Flemming . . .	4 50
Dennis Golden . . .	4 63
Charles Silvia . . .	1 13
Joseph F. Bandura . .	3 88
Andrew Bandura . .	2 48
Foster Cadose . . .	4 38
Toney Rose . . .	2 78
Charles Anderson . .	4 00
Fred C. Blossom . .	5 38
John Silvia . . .	38
Oscar Bandura . . .	25
Frank Morris . . .	3 50
Andrew Hanson . . .	3 50
John Thompson . . .	2 10
Thomas Grassie . . .	3 50
John L. Jason . . .	5 50
Joseph Jason . . .	61 75

Paid Harry L. Willard	$30	44
Joseph Jason, Jr.	1	50
Charles E. Jason	13	75
George Jason	2	25
Henry R. Nickerson	14	00
Joseph E. Grassie	14	00
Frank D. Grassie	2	50
Thomas L. Grassie	7	00
John Oliver	8	25
Frank Oliver	11	25
Frank J. Sidney	7	00
Victor Jacome	7	00
Frank F. Martin, Jr.	1	50
Charles Sprague	6	25
Joseph S. Enos	2	25
John Gillis	5	25
Henry E. Brennock	2	00
Eddie Butman	5	50
Arthur Enos	1	35
Joseph M. Silvia	4	25
John Kennedy	5	25
Henry Brundren	3	75
Frank Campbell	7	26
Thomas Keating	4	00
Daniel F. O'Brien	9	00
John B. Daley	3	88
William Powers	4	00
George A. Henry	4	25
James H. Davis	4	00
William A. W. Tilden	3	75
Richard Caddan	3	25
George E. Antoine	3	25
William J. McNamara	3	25
George E. Denithorne	3	25
Harry F. Tilden	47	25

Paid	James Denithorne . .	$2 25
	John J. Silvia . . .	3 63
	Walter Enos . . .	3 25
	Walter Antoine . . .	1 20
	Josie Jason . . .	1 95
	Est. Alden Beal . . .	54 75
	Thomas F. Kinsley . .	1 51
	Arthur A. Davenport . .	7 25
	Andrew H. Prouty . .	34 50
	A. W. Morris . . .	1 00
	W. H. Morris . . .	1 00
	Joseph J. Grassie . .	4 50
	Frank F. Antoine . .	4 50
	John M. Pearson . .	6 50
	W. A. Morris . . .	4 50
	G. W. Morris . . .	5 50
	L. J. Morris . . .	6 50
	Alson S. Richardson . .	22 36
	Harry C. Bates . . .	3 00
	Charles Hunter . . .	3 25
	John Bates . . .	2 00
	Joseph F. Priest . .	88
	Alvin Dyment . . .	1 50
	Charles Snell . . .	63
	A. M. Hazel . . .	1 63
	Charles Snell, Jr. . .	1 63
	Benjamin Litchfield . .	1 88
	Charles Penfold . . .	2 00
	Lorenzo Beal . . .	2 25
	Sidney L. Beal . . .	2 00
	Russell B. Murray . .	24 25
	John Clark . . .	5 00
	Peter Nelson . . .	34 00
	Charles E. McKensie . .	46 65
	Thomas Curtis . . .	5 00

Paid Newton Burbank . .	$10 75	
George Morse . . .	10 75	
William Barnes . . .	5 00	
John Barnes . . .	5 25	
Charles V. Barnes . .	4 00	
William Keefe . . .	4 00	
Patrick Donahue . .	6 25	
John H. Wilbur . . .	7 00	
Thomas Reedy . . .	4 00	
Harry Henry . . .	4 00	
John Sullivan . . .	5 00	
Benjamin F. Morse . .	15 25	
William O. Soucher . .	42 75	
Fred G. James . . .	8 50	
Harry W. Burbank . .	8 75	
James O. M. Carmack .	5 50	
George Jann . . .	8 25	
Burleigh Bates . . .	4 38	
Ezekiel L. James . .	3 00	
Arthur S. Bates, . .	7 50	
William H. Bates, Jr. .	7 50	
Samuel L. Williams . .	5 50	
William H. Reed . .	5 00	
Waldo C. Locke . .	38	
William Mulvey . . .	1 00	
Evans J. Evan . . .	2 13	
Arthur Thing . . .	2 13	
Frank E. Winslow . .	7 20	
Walter McGrath . . .	7 25	
Manuel P. Valine . .	6 50	
Abraham A. Valine . .	6 25	
Joseph Silvia . . .	4 50	
		$1,164 37

Respectfully submitted,

PHILANDER BATES, *Supt.*

REPORT OF

THE TOWN TREASURER,

TOGETHER WITH

The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Public Library, Auditor, Tree Warden and Board of Engineers.

Dr. 1905. TOWN OF COHASSET, In Account with Newcomb B. Tower, Treasurer and Collector.

To paid Selectmens' orders, as follows:		
Hingham Institution for savings, note of March 10, 1904		$10,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 3 notes of 1896		12,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 1 note due 1905		1,375 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, on account hired money 1905		4,000 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, demand notes, funded		32,000 00
Webster and Atlas National Bank, hired money with interest		10,000 00
Commonwealth, State tax		8,320 00
Commonwealth, Met. Parks Sinking Fund		83 32
Commonwealth, interest on Sinking Fund		214 98
Commonwealth, Nantasket Park, cost of maintenance		180 80
Commonwealth, repairs on highways		22 09
Commonwealth, one-fourth liquor license money		325 00
County of Norfolk, County tax		6,701 25
School Committee, bequest of late James W. Nichols		1,000 00
Support of schools	$15,516 83	
Less amount received from Treas. School Committee	37 44	
Net expenditure	15,479 39	
Amount to credit of 1906 account	26 04	
		15,505 43
Conveyance of school children	2,766 50	
Less amount received Treas Sch. Committee	24 04	
Net expenditure	2,742 46	
Amount to debit of 1906 account	42 46	
		2,700 00
State and Military Aid, Soldiers' Relief and Town Aid, and other payments as specified in detail in Reports of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor		60,806 14
		$165,234 01
Balance on hand		12,072 57
Cohasset, January 22, 1906.		$177,306 58

1905	Cr.
By balance in Treasury from 1904 account . .	$19,867 60
Almshouse sales, 1904 account . . .	2 50
City of Boston, 1904 account	16 50
City of Brockton, 1904 account . . .	136 10
City of Cambridge, 1904 account . . .	79 13
Town of Deerfield, 1903–1904 accounts . .	112 86
Town of Hingham, 1904 account . . .	35 00
Commonwealth, Corporation tax, 1904 additional	958 36
Commonwealth, National Bank tax, 1904 additional	222 19
East Norfolk District Court, fees, fines, etc. .	5 96
Alfred Beal, room rent for postoffice . .	100 00
James S. Beal, Auctioneer's license fee . .	2 00
Michael E. Mannix, Scituate, pedlar's license .	8 00
Thomas F. Kane & Co., 1st and 4th class liquor licenses	1,300 00
Caleb Lothrop, Treasurer School Committee, school money balances	61 48
Caleb Lothrop, Treasurer School Committee, balance S. L. Stoddard fund . . .	6 00
Philander Bates, guardian, on account, due from Julian A. Glynn	21 00
William T. Tilden, income of Town Hall . .	228 00
Caleb Lothrop, Exr. on account the late James W. Nichols' bequest to the schools . .	1,000 00
Three burial lots, Woodside Cemetery . .	97 20
County of Norfolk, on account land damages Beechwood street	1,544 50
County of Norfolk, dog license money, 1905 .	500 41
Commonwealth, Corporation tax, 1905 . .	13,265 15
Commonwealth, National Bank tax, 1905 . .	2,402 73
Commonwealth, State aid, 1904 . . .	696 50
Commonwealth, Military aid, 1904 . . .	132 00
Commonwealth, burial of paupers . . .	15 00
Commonwealth, burial of indigent soldiers, sailors	70 00
A. C. Burrage, use of steam roller . . .	15 00
John Daley, use of steam roller . . .	45 00
L. D. Willcutt, stock and labor on drain . .	18 10
M. G. Seaverns & Co., rebate in adjustment of account.	5 25
Philander Bates, Trustee, income Lothrop Fund	133 89
Cohasset Savings Bank, income Ripley Fund .	35 30
Interest on delinquent taxes and bank deposits .	492 09

Contributions towards defraying street sprinkling expense	$466 00
Reimbursement for assistance rendered . .	10 00
Almshouse sales	303 13
Almshouse, removing snow	18 50
Webster and Atlas Nationol Bank, temporary loan	9,864 45
Cohasset Savings Bank, temporary loan . .	14,000 00
Philander Bates, Trustee, temporary loan . .	32,00 00
Cohasset Savings Bank, 8 time notes . .	3,2000 00
Assessors' tax list, committed August 3, 1905 .	73,773 70
Assessors' list, supplementary	40 00
	$177,306 58

NEWCOMB B. TOWER,
Treasurer and Collector.

COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,
in account with OLIVER H. HOWE, Treasurer.

Dr.

To town appropriation paid to Treasurer of Paul Pratt Memorial Library . .	$1,900 00
Payments for books . .	240 45
Payments for binding . .	6 50
Payments for advertising resolutions	2 25
Payments for record book and postage	1 00
Balance on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	29 24
	$2,179 44

Cr.

By town appropriation . .	$1,900 00
Interest on town notes . .	153 60
" Cohasset Savings Bank	58 60
" Hingham Institution for Savings . . .	37 24
Annual payment Cheever Fund, 1904-5 . . .	30 00
	$2,179 44

The funds of the library consist of the following securities, which are in my care :

Town of Cohasset note dated Mar. 10, 1904. ($1,068.43 of this amount is from bequest of Miss Susannah L. Stoddard) . .	$3,068 43

Town of Cohasset note dated Dec. 31, 1904. (This amount is from bequest of Miss Susannah L. Stoddard)	4,611 41
Deposit book Cohasset Savings Bank	1,000 00
Deposit book Cohasset Savings Bank (Cheever Fund) . .	148 67
Deposit book Cohasset Savings Bank (Income Fund) . .	110 05
Deposit book Hingham Institution for Savings (A. Williams Fund)	500 00

OLIVER H. HOWE,
Treasurer.

Cohasset Jan. 12, 1906.

We have examined the above account and hereby certify that receipts have been correctly entered, and all payments accounted for by proper vouchers, and that the cash as stated, viz., $29.24, was on hand Dec. 30, 1905. We have also examined the securities in which the funds of the library are invested.

EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
GEO. W. COLLIER,
Examining Committee.

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

In submitting an annual report to the town there is but one matter to bring before you for consideration and action at the annual meeting in March, viz.: The renewal of the agreement between the Cohasset Free Public Library and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library.

Our relations have been most harmonious the past three years under the present agreement, and, after conferring

with a committee of the Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library, appointed for the purpose, we heartily recommend a renewal of the former agreement for the ensuing three years.

The articles of said agreement, which we hereby recommend the town to adopt, are as follows:

1. That the town authorize the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library to allow their library books to remain in the Paul Pratt Memorial Library building for a term of three years from March 5, 1906, and to entrust the care and management of the same to the Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library.

2. That the town authorize the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library to turn over to the Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library the town library appropriations for the term of three years as above mentioned, and also such portions of the income of all trust funds held by the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library as the Trustees thereof shall think best; the total income turned over from these two sources to be expended during said term of years, for library purposes, at the discretion of the Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library; provided, however, that the Trustees of the Cohasset Free Public Library shall have equal voice with the Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library in the selection and purchase of books which are paid for with town appropriations or with the income of said trust funds.

3. That all books now belonging to the Cohasset Free Public Library shall continue to be the property of the Town of Cohasset, and that all books that shall be purchased with money from the town appropriations, or with the income of the above-mentioned trust funds, shall also be the property of the Town of Cohasset and all shall be labelled with the name of the Cohasset Free Public Library.

4. That this arrangement shall continue in force for three years only; the same to be renewed or discontinued at the end of that time, according to the pleasure of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES OF COHASSET FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,
By EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
President.

Cohasset, Feb. 2, 1906.

PAUL PRATT MEMORIAL LIBRARY in account with JAMES LONGLEY, Treasurer.

Dr.

To payments in 1905:		
For Librarian's and Janitor's services	$892 16	
Books and Magazines	340 51	
Binding	94 95	
Wood and Coal	165 58	
Electric Lighting	210 32	
Printing, Stationery and Library Supplies	83 98	
Furniture, Repairs, etc.	151 28	
Expressage, Freight and Carting	50 01	
Janitor's Supplies	12 60	
Library Art Club; yearly assessment	5 00	
Insurance on Building	246 00	
Construction	87 86	
Loans; amounts borrowed in 1905	650 00	
		$2,990 25

Balance on deposit in Boston Safe Deposit and Truat Co., Jan. 1, 1906 . . .		$747 80
		$3,738 05

Cr.

By Receipts in 1905:		
Balance on deposit and in hands of Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1905 .	$4 06	
From Mrs. Edward Wheelright as a gift in memory of her husband, in support of Library	100 00	
Mr. H. A. Wheelright as a gift in support of Library	100 00	
Income from investments .	830 00	
Dividends on Expired Insurance Polices . .	97 20	
Town of Cohasset; appropriations for Library purposes .	1,900 00	
Interest for Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co. . .	6 79	
Librarian for fines collected in 1905	47 00	
Books paid for by Dr. O. H. Howe	3 00	
Loans from James Longley	650 00	
		$3,738 05

Jan. 1, 1906. JAMES LONGLEY,
Treasvrer.

We have examined the foregoing account and find it correct, disbursements of cash being accounted for by proper vouchers.

OLIVER H. HOWE,
EDWARD F. RIPLEY,
Jan. 13, 1906. *Auditors.*

REPORT OF DIRECTORS OF THE PAUL PRATT MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

The Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library submit the following report:

During the year just closed the effort of the Directors, since the organization of the library not quite three years ago, has been to establish a library in our town after the best models. To attain this it has been necessary to work towards these ends: (1) An adequate and fully equipped building; (2) broad and equitable regulations; (3) the building up and strengthening of the departments of books; (4) an expert and up-to-date service by the librarians to the public. We have continued to make additions to the building equipment and feel that at present we have supplied all those needs which time and demand made clear to us. In regard to regulations, we have followed the broadest interpretation of those rules in operation in the best libraries elsewhere, in order that everyone may have equal opportunities and a generous service. The stacks have been opened to the public; a well-filled reference library is at hand in the reading room; special opportunities have been offered to the schools; vacation privileges are granted in the summer.

The Directors wish and aim to meet the needs of all; to add to the comfort and pleasure of the citizens of the town; to make all feel that the books and the building are their own. We invite any suggestions as to the purchase of new books and as to the methods of administration.

A gift of $3,000 from Mr. Charles A. Welch has enabled us to strengthen the weak places and fill up the empty spaces among the books. Because of this gift, at present our library of books, for its size, will compare favorably with others.

The Librarians have been encouraged to use the best methods of library administration, and to take advantage of

all opportunities which might advance them in their work and put them and the library in touch and tune with the library world.

We are pleased to state that the agreement, whereby the library interests of the town were consolidated three years ago, has been eminently successful, and also agreeable to our board. We feel that the interest and welfare of our libraries under the present conditions will be best promoted by a renewal of this agreement by the town.

Subjoined are the reports of the Librarian and Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

DIRECTORS OF THE PAUL PRATT MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1905.

To the Board of Directors of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library:

The following is a report of the work in the Library for the year ending Dec. 31, 1905:

There have been added to the Library during the year 916 volumes, of which 172 have been by gift; 719 by purchase; 22 by the binding of magazines, and 3 replaced. Number of books in the Accession Book Dec. 31, 1905, is 9,250. The number of books and magazines issued was 15,496. The increase in registration for the past year has been 210, making the whole number of names registered, since the opening of the L. Library in 1903, 1,140. Deducting the names of those who have died or left town, about 975 persons are borowers of books at the present time.

Gifts of books and magazines have been received from the American Sunday School Union; Rev. H. K. Bartow; Miss Ella S. Bates; Miss Florence N. Bates; Secretary of the

Bennett Fund; Brockton Subscription Agency; Mrs. J. M. Clark; E. S. Cox; Mrs. Edward Hanlon: Dr. O. H. Howe; Mrs. L. Morse; Miss A. Y. Nichols; Edward Nichols; Mrs. F. R. Pegram, Phelps Richardson; S. S. Spaulding; Miss L. C. Tower; Woman's Journal; State and Government Reports.

Classification of books loaned:

History and Biography	729
Description and Travel	509
Literature and Poetry	424
Sciences and Arts	1,042
Philosophy and Religion	117
Magazines	1,349
Fiction	11,326
Total	15,496

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH B. COLLIER,

Librarian.

Cohasset, January 1, 1906.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

From January 1, to March 4, 1905.

During that period my work consisted wholly in removing the brown tail moths from the trees. The total number of nests removed in that time was 1743.

The following is the list of the amounts paid as per bills rendered:

H. L. McMahon, balance of salary 1904	$78 10
H. L. McMahon	81 00
Jos. Breck & Sons	1 90

Albert Morris . . .	$15 00
Edw. F. Powers . . .	11 00
Chas. E. McKenzie . .	4 75
Chas. E. Nott . . .	80
Harry F. Tilden . . .	2 00
	$194 55

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY L. McMAHON,

Tree Warden.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT FROM MARCH 8th, 1905, TO JANUARY 4th, 1906.

My work consisted of pruning the shade trees on the highways, also transplanting trees on Beechwood street. Owing to so much dead wood in the trees, which was dangerous to the public, a large amount of the appropriation was used up for this work. Also for the exterminating of gypsy and brown tail moths. I have had several of the residents of the town wanting shade trees planted on the roadside for the beautifying of the highways. Owing to the necessary work of so much pruning the appropriation was not sufficient to carry out the planting of more trees.

I should say Mr. Cyrus R. Keene gave 12 maples to the improvement of Beechwood street.

I would respectfully recommend and ask that the sum of $600 be raised and appropriated by the town at its Annual March Meeting, for tree guards, tree pruning, etc.

The following is a list of bills as per bill rendered.

Paid Richard Cadding . .	$ 47 00
William J. McNamara . .	45 00
Frank A. Pearson . .	110 00

Paid John M. Pearson . .	$65 00	
Edward F. Powers . .	30 00	
John Sullivan . . .	12 00	
George F. Sargent . .	39 35	
Herbert Sargent . . .	35 00	
Fred R. Maitland . .	42 00	
Tower Bros. & Co. . .	7 90	
Thomas Grey & Co. . .	100 31	
Frank Stoddard . . .	1 25	
J. H. Merritt . . .	2 25	
George W. Mealey . .	54 25	
John Clark . . .	212 50	
John Clark, for express .	2 55	
John Clark, team for Inspector	7 00	
Harry L. Willard . .	2 50	
Harry F. Tilden . . .	5 00	
John W. Bates . . .	15 75	
Walter P. Bates . . .	10 00	
Joseph P. De Santos . .	8 00	
John Kennedy . . .	74 00	
James M. Keating . .	42 00	
Andrew H. Prouty . .	60 00	
Charles I. Silvia . . .	60 00	
George W. Morse . .	34 00	
John Oliver . . .	34 00	
Benjamin F. Morse . .	38 00	
William McArthur . .	4 00	
Est. Allen C. Bates . .	1 00	
Otis Bishop . . .	1 25	
		$1,202 86

JOHN CLARK,
Tree Warden.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

To the Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN :—The Board of Fire Engineers respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1905.

The organization of this Board remains the same as the previous year, and the Department has been changed only by the addition of one hose company of five men. This company is numbered four, and is located in a building on North Main street owned by Thomas Roche, located near the Electric Light Company's power station, and is supplied with a hose reel carying 650 feet of hose and the necessary appliances to equip it for service. The several pieces of apparatus are in good serviceable condition, and the houses have been repaired sufficient to answer the present needs of the Department.

During the past year the Department has been called to answer twenty-seven (27) alarms, seven (7) having been for fires in buildings, sixteen (16) for brush or forest fires, two (2) false alarms and one needless alarm.

The forest fires, as you will note, have been numerous and expensive, and it is the unanimous opinion of the Board that, in future, a special sum of money should be raised and appropriated each year at the annual meeting in March to meet this expense without drawing on the regular appropriation to maintain the Department.

At the annual Town Meeting in March, 1905, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five

Hundred Dollars ($2,500.00), for the purpose of installing a fire alarm system in the town, to be erected under the direction of the Board of Fire Engineers, and acting under the authority of said vote, the Board contracted with Mr. W. E. Decrow, New England Agent of the Gamewell Fire Alarm and Telegraph Company, to equip the Town with that system, furnishing twelve (12) non-interferance boxes, three bell striking machines, tappers in five Engineers' houses, and gongs in three stables, together with sixteen (16) miles of insulated iron wire, all properly erected and delivered in working order, which was completed and accepted June 15th, 1905.

After the contract was signed, it was found that by setting poles on Pond street, from the end of the Electric Light Company's present location to King street, and changing the location from Atlantic avenue to Nichol's road to Jerusalem road, it would place the wires in a position to attach additional boxes with but small expense in the future, and also at a small expense in addition to the regular appropriation at present, which accounts for a large portion of the amount expended on fire alarm in our financial accounts.

The matter of current to operate the line was an important question, and in place of the old style gravity battery, which is dirty, cumbersome and unreliable, it was arranged with the Cohasset Electric Company to install a storage battery in their power house on North Main street and supply the current to the system, at an annual rental of seventy-five dollars ($75.00), which was mutually agreeable and profitable.

That the system is a benefit to the town, by enabling the Department to reach a fire quickly has already been fully demonstrated, but particularly by one example: when box 35, at the junction of North Main street and Jerusalem road, was pulled at 11 o'clock at night, the first piece of apparatus and men were at the box in four minutes, and three pieces of

apparatus and two Engineers reached there inside of eight minutes.

It is the unanimous opinion of the board that an alarm bell and striking apparatus should be erected at North Cohasset and connected with the fire alarm system for the pursose of notifying the members of the Department at that point.

For the maintenance and operation of the Department for the ensuing year we would recommend that the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500.00) be raised and appropriated at the Annual Meeting in March next. The Board also recommends that the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00) be raised and appropriated at the Annual Meeting in March next for the extinguishing of forest fires.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. MAPES,
E. E. BATES,
GEORGE JASON,
JAMES S. BEAL,
HENRY E. BRENNOCK,
Board of Engineers.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Hose No. 1.

A. C. Bates, supplies . . .	$ 89
D. P. Sylvester, supplies . .	5 36
Geo. A. Stewart, repairs to building	22 77
Geo. F. Higgins, repairs to wagon	1 65
C. Callahan Co., repairs to extinguisher	1 95
Tower Bros. & Co., coal and wood	14 08
W. H. H. Hancock, repairing clock	1 00

R. M. Souther, clerk, services of company at fire . . .	$5 00
A. J. Morris, services as steward 1 year	40 00
Tax Collector, thirteen poll taxes	26 00
	$118 70

HOSE NO. 2.

A. C. Bates, supplies . . .	$ 9 31
Lincoln Bros., coal and wood (1904 and 1905) . . .	70 08
Geo. A. Stewart, repairs to building	17 88
B. O. Pratt, services of company at fire	5 00
C. A. Tanger, services as steward 1 year	30 00
Tax Collector, six poll taxes .	12 00
	$144 27

HOSE NO. 3.

The Country Store, supplies .	$12 66
Tower Bros., coal and wood .	11 99
W. B. Butcher, supplies . .	1 25
A. Studley, service as steward 1 year	35 00
Tax Collector, twelve poll taxes .	24 00
	$84 90

LADDER 1.

A. C. Bates, lamps . . .	$1 90
Geo. F. Higgins, repair to truck	1 25

J. A. Valine, clerk, services of company at fire . . .	$5 00
J. E. Grassie, services as steward	25 00
Tax Collector, twelve poll taxes .	24 00
	$57 15

LADDER 2.

C. Callahan, repairing extinguisher	$ 1 75
E. E. Bates, wood . . .	4 00
C. H. Pratt, services as steward 1 year	30 00
Tax Collector, sixteen poll taxes .	32 00
	$67 75

ENGINEERS.

C. Callahan Co., 1 gong for Chief's wagon.	$3 60
C. Callahan Co., 1 Chief's lantern	1 75
Tax Collectors, five poll tuxes .	10 00
	$15 35

FIRE ALARM.

A. M. Kimball, poles and setting on Pond street . . .	$26 00
F. Jason, carting poles . .	14 00
W. E. Deckrow, wire . .	50 00
W. J. Bunnock, painting poles and cross-arms	28 75
J. E. Bunnock, labor on boards .	12 25
Harbor Carriage Ptg. Co., labor on boards	21 00
A. M. Skinner, printing running cards	10 25

A. M. Kimball, repairs to line .	$15 50	
Wm. Breen, repairs to line . .	10 21	
Cohasset Elec. Co., current for line, 6 mos. to Dec. 15, 1905 .	37 50	
		$225 46

FOREST FIRES.

F. W. Browne, chemicals . .	$36 85	
Morris Brothers, chemicals . .	5 56	
H. E. Mapes, Chief, provisions for men	10 00	
Central House, provisions for men	7 00	
Edw. Powers, labor . . .	2 00	
F. A. Pierson, labor . . .	2 00	
W. H. Morris, labor . . .	3 75	
F. C. Blossom, labor . . .	1 00	
John Kennedy, labor . . .	4 00	
W. H. McNamara, labor . .	2 00	
Pay roll, 34 men (Forest avenue)	112 25	
		$186 41

MISCELLANEOUS.

H. F. Tilden, horses to fires, teaming, etc.	$142 75	
Cohasset L. & S. Stable, horses to fires, teaming, etc. . . .	66 85	
Cohasset Club Stable, horses to fires, teaming, etc. . . .	17 50	
Geo. Jason, horses to fires, teaming, etc.	26 50	
S. E. Pratt, horses to fires, teaming, etc.	26 50	
C. H. Hackett, horses to fires .	5 00	
C. H. Stoughton, horses to fires .	3 00	
W. W. Bates, horses to fires .	3 00	

C. M. Bradbury, horses to fires .	$2 00	
E. E. Bates, barge for men .	2 50	
John Clark, flowers . . .	8 00	
H. E. Mapes, Chief, telephone, stationery, postage, etc. . .	13 10	
W. J. Bonnock and 12 men, watching fires . . .	36 00	
		$351 70

RECAPITULATION.

Hose No. 1	$118 70
Hose No. 2	144 27
Hose No. 3	84 90
Ladder No. 1	57 15
Lrdder No. 2	67 75
Engineers	15 35
Fire Alarm	225 46
Forest fires	186 41
Miscellaneous	351 70
Total	$1,251 69
Less check from town of Norwell	28 75
	$1,222 94
Amount of appropriation . .	1,200 00
Exceeded appropriation .	$22 94

H. E. MAPES, *Chief.*

Attest: ELMER E. BARES. *Clerk.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

January 23, 1905:	
Am'nt of unpaid taxes in Collector's hands	$15,541 68
Am'nt of cash in treasury . . .	4,325 92
Am'nt received from tax list of 1905 . .	66,511 43
Am'nt received from all other sources .	58,927 55
	$145,306 58
January 23, 1906:	
Amount of orders drawn on Treasurer to date	133,234 01
Balance on hand	$12,072 57

I have examined the books of the Town Treasurer and also have examined the bills against the town, and find a proper voucher for the payment of the same.

EZEKIEL L. JAMES,
Auditor.

Cohasset, Feb. 12, 1906.

REPORT OF

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

School Committee,

1905–1906.

Martha P. Howe, term expires 1906.
Cornelius O'Keefe, term expires 1906.
Charles W. Gammons, term expires 1907.
Samuel Stoddard, term expires 1907.
Elizabeth O. Davenport, term expires 1908.
Caleb Lothrop, term expires 1908.

Sub-Committees.

BUILDINGS—Caleb Lothrop, Samuel Stoddard, Charles W. Gammons and Cornelius O'Keefe.

TEACHERS—Mrs. Martha P. Howe and Mrs. Elizabeth O. Davenport, Superintendent.

Officers of the Committee,

1905–1906.

Elizabeth O. Davenport	Chairman
Charles W. Gammons	Secretary
Caleb Lothrop	Treasurer

Superintendent of Schools,

Nelson G. Howard.

Truant Officers,

Samuel Pratt, John J. Grassie.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The following report for 1905 is presented by the School Committee to the town, with the Treasurer's financial statement and the more detailed report of the Superintendent of Schools, including the reports of the Supervisors of Music and Drawing.

There have been few changes in our corps of teachers. Miss Charlotte A. Tower of grade 2 resigned her position during the summer vacation and Miss Rose C. Landers of Bourne, a graduate of the Bridgewater State Normal School, June, 1901, was appointed in her place. Miss Landers has had several years' experience in teaching primary grades.

In grade 4 the resignation of Miss Mary E. Clapp was accepted in October when she was employed at a higher salary in Everett. Her successor is Miss Ellen King of Abington, a graduate of the Bridewater Normal, June, 1900, and a teacher of several years' experience.

In this grade children from all parts of the town are now brought together, an arrangement which, in the opinion of your committee, is conducive to the welfare of all.

The Beechwood School, relieved of the 4th grade, is doing good work with the three lower ones.

Miss Hunt having resigned her position in grade 9 at the close of the summer term, Miss Oriola Martin of Manchester, N. H., was chosen for the place. Miss Martin is a graduate of Wellesley and has taught in New Hampshire and in Minnesota. There has been no change in the teaching force of the high school, and the supervisors of music and drawing remain the same as last year.

A good foundation has been laid for a working library for the high school by the purchase of about one hundred books such as were needed in connection with the different courses pursued in the school, particularly those in Literature and History.

The apparatus most needed just at present for the new and higher course in Physics has been purchased and is in use, but no better place is as yet provided for a laboratory than a corner of the hall in the third story. The north-west room in the same story, now used as a drawing-room and for recitations, will make an admirable laboratory when properly fitted up.

As carrying out our present course of study will require the employment of a fourth assistant in the High School next fall, another recitation room will be needed. The commercial department needs a larger room and the present hall can be adapted to its use. This will set free the room on the second floor now used by this department for the general use of the high school.

The system of ventilation has been much improved throughout the building.

In June a photograph of "The Fighting Temeraise," by Turner, was given to the Seventh Grade by Col. Thomas Lothrop Chapter, D. A. R. The graduating class presented to the high school a large photograph of St. Peter's which is hung in the main school room. A cast from a bas-relief of Paul Revere, given to the Osgood School by Miss Florence N. Bates has been placed in the room of the Eighth Grade.

From the estate of the late James W. Nichols $1,000, a portion of his bequest to the Osgood School, has been received. When the whole amount is available it is proposed to create a fund, the income of which shall be devoted to some special use.

The Stamp Savings Bank has been continued through the year under the care of Miss Bessie L. Tower, who has vis-

ited the school on a certain day of each week to collect contributions and give out the required stamps. In the First Grade the savings amounted to between $1.50 and $2.00 per week. Some grades take up the plan with more zest than others. About fifteen bank accounts have been opened with amounts varying from $1.00 to $5.00. In other cases the amounts drawn out have been large enough to be of real use to the children and their parents. It is hoped that the latter will co-operate with the teachers in promoting the habit of saving.

The following is our estimate of the amount needed for school purposes in 1906:

For Superintendent . . .	$750 00	
Teacher	10.000 00	
Janitors	875 00	
Fuel	1,300 00	
Repairs and supplies .. .	2,000 00	
Books, etc.	1,000 00	
Miscellaneous . . .	500 00	
		$16,425 00

There will also be needed for transportation of pupils, $3,000.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH O. DAVENPORT, *Chairman*,
CHARLES W. GAMMONS, *Secretary*,
CALEB LOTHROP,
MARTHA P. HOWE,
CORNELIUS O'KEEFE,
SAMUEL STODDARD.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

1905. Paid.

Superintendent of Schools,		
Nelson G. Howard . .		$750 00

TEACHERS.

Osgood School, High:		
Principal, Stanley C. Lary .	$1,540 00	
Assistant, Miss Grace Gatchell	700 00	
Assistant, Miss Minnie E. Bigelow	720 00	
Assistant, Miss Nellie Brooks Hill	700 00	
9th grade, Miss Louise C. Hunt	300 00	
9th grade, Miss Oriola Martin	240 00	
8th grade, Miss G. E. Arnold	7 20	
8th grade, Miss Bina M. Shorey	4 80	
8th grade, Miss Martha P. Bates	488 00	
7th grade, Miss Susie G. Fisher	496 00	
6th grade, Miss Annie D. Dunham	480 00	
5th grade, Miss Annie A. Souther	480 00	

4th grade, Miss Mary E. Clapp	$372 00	
4th grade, Miss Ellen King .	108 00	
3rd grade, Miss M. Jennie Mason	480 00	
2nd grade, Miss Charlotte A. Tower	288 00	
2nd grade, Miss Rose Landers	192 00	
1st grade, Miss Sarah E. Fox	480 00	
General Assistant, Miss Myra L. Beal	380 00	
Beechwood School:		
Miss Eva S. Bassick . .	480 00	
Special Teachers:		
Drawing, Miss Mary L. Cook	300 00	
Music, Miss Elizabeth C. Bates	300 00	
		$9,536 00

JANITORS.

Osgood School:		
Lot W. Bates . . .	$450 00	
Geo. W. Crocker . .	350 00	
Beechwood School:		
A. B. Litchfield . . .	75 00	
		$875 00

FUEL.

Osgood School:		
Tower Bros. & Co. . .	$818 97	
Lincoln Bros., Ltd. . .	251 25	
E. E. Bates . . .	28 00	
		$1,098 22

Beechwood School:		
Lincoln Bros., Ltd. . .	$198 66	
C. H. Hackett . . .	21 50	
		$220 16
		$1,318 38

REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.

Osgood School:		
Geo. W. Crocker, carpentering	$16 25	
Cohasset Electric Co., electric lights	12 00	
Harry R. Pratt, installing bells	22 75	
Eben A. Thacher, extinguishers	70 00	
Winchester Tar Disinfectant Co.	6 00	
Tower Bros. & Co., lumber, varnish, etc.	46 48	
John F. Barnes, labor . . .	75	
Fuller & Warren Co., repairing ventilating system .	265 25	
Geo. F. Welch, picture moulding . . .	2 00	
Mrs. William Lee, laundry .	1 50	
Handifold Toilet Paper Co., toilet paper . . .	6 00	
Harry W. Lincoln, setting glass	2 00	
Murphy, Leavens & Co., floor brushes	6 78	
Walker Smith, labor . .	1 00	
A. T. Stearns Lumber Co., lumber, doors, sashes .	33 83	

Geo. F. Higgins, iron work .	$3 00	
H. E. Ellms & Co., outside windows	11 75	
Norris Bros. & Co., supplies	7 55	
Est. Allen C. Bates, supplies	66 31	
Edgar J. Pratt, repairing furnaces, closets . .	110 92	
R. F. Leighton, putting up electric gong and electric lights, etc. . . .	63 60	
W. H. H. Hancock, clock .	1 00	
Hopkinson & Holden, chairs and brushes . . .	15 50	
		$772 22
Beechwood School:		
John J. A. Pratt, carpentering	$1 50	
Frank Sargent, glazing .	75	
J. W. Bates, cleaning vaults and yard	11 00	
Geo. W. Odell, painting walls	3 00	
Fuller Warren Co., grates .	16 35	
Tower Bros. & Co., galvinized netting . . .	1 08	
Herbert L. Brown, supplies .	4 73	
Edgar J. Pratt, labor on heater, etc.	7 00	
Est. Allen C. Bates, basin .	45	
		$45 86
		$818 08

MISCELLANEOUS.

Chas. E. Nott, carting, etc. .	$9 76
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., tel. service	35 74
Warren F. Snow, Agent, expressing, 1904	12 50

Edith M. Bates, services as enumerator in 1904 . . .	$25 00	
Hingham Journal Co., temperature record blanks	3 00	
Katherine S. Towle, services as pianist	10 00	
Harry F. Tilden, ctg. settees, etc.	6 40	
Wm. T. Tilden, use of hall and piano and labor on stage . .	12 00	
Litchfield's Express, expressing .	1 50	
John Clark, bouquets and plants .	22 50	
Boston Bank Note Co., diplomas	13 50	
Henry W. Stone, Filling in Diplomas	$2 55	
Nelson G. Howard, Tel. rental, postage, etc.	25 55	
The Boundbrook Press, programs and tickets	14 25	
Hooper, Lewis & Co., certificate books	4 00	
Geo. P. Tower, taking school census	25 00	
Frank W. Brown, supplies . .	14 25	
Samuel E. Pratt, truant officer .	20 00	
Winchester Tar Disinfectant Co.	10 50	
M. Jennie Merriam, ribbon, etc.	7 27	
W. W. Wade, tuning piano .	6 50	
N. York & Boston Despatch Express Co.	46 95	
C. Lothrop, envelopes, postage .	2 33	
John J. Grassie, truant officer .	20 00	
Mrs. Geo. L. Davenport, chairman	25 00	
Chas. W. Gammons, Secretary .	25 00	
C. Lothrop, treasurer . .	25 00	
		$426 05

Books and Stationery.

Sarah E. Fox	$4 85	
Ginn & Co.	116 89	
Mary L. Cook	1 33	
Remington Typewriter Co.	163 00	
Arthur W. Hall Scientific Co.	205 52	
Eagle Pencil Co.	8 40	
Samuel Ward Co.	184 25	
Park Publishing Co.	17 77	
American Book Co.	53 32	
Edw. E. Babb & Co.	323 49	
John A. Boyle & Co.	8 00	
Orpin Bros.	3 00	
Esterbrook Steel Pen M'f'g. Co.	16 50	
The Boundbrook Press	4 00	
G. & C. Merriam Co.	6 80	
A. F. Lewis M'f'g. Co.	4 00	
D. C. Heath & Co.	74 89	
Allyn & Bacon	15 00	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	44 23	
C. B. Worrick	3 15	
David Cobb & Son	2 50	
		$1,260 89

Recapitulation.

Amount expended in 1904 in excess of the appropriation		$494 99
Superintendent	$750 00	
Teachers	9,536 00	
Janitors	875 00	
Fuel	1,318 38	
Repairs	818 08	
Miscellaneous	$426 05	
Books, Stationery, etc.	1,260 89	
		$14,984 40
Balance unexpended		26 04
		$15,505 43

Amount of the Appropriation .	$15,000 00	
Amount of Dog Licenses . .	470 13	
Interest on Ripley Fund . .	35 30	
		$15,505 43

CONVEYING.

1905. Paid.		
Harry F. Tilden, King Street District	$562 00	
Harry F. Tilden, North Main and Sohier streets . . .	143 00	
Harry F. Tilden, South Main street	97 50	
Harry F. Tilden, Border street and Parker avenue . . .	104 00	
Franklin Beal, Jerusalem Road District	480 00	
Franklin Beal, Jerusalem road and North Cohasset . . .	$480 00	
Samuel E. Pratt, Beechwood District	1,000 00	
		$2,866 50
Amount unexpended in 1904 .	$124 04	
Amount of the Appropriation for Conveying	2,700 00	
Expended in Excess of Appropriation	42 46	
		$2,866 50

KINDERGARTEN.

Paid. From Jan. 1 to July 1, 1905.		
Miss Isabel V. Bartlett, teaching .	$250 00	
Geo. P. Neagle, janitor . .	31 25	
Lincoln Bros., fuel . . .	19 36	
Chas. E. Nott, carting . .	25	
Mrs. Geo. P. Neagle, laundry .	1 50	
Harry F. Tilden, conveying .	65 00	
		$367 36

Balance of Last Year's Appropriation	$275 03	
Received from Mrs. Ruth Sears .	92 33	
		$367 36

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the School Committee;

In accordance with your requirement I present for your consideration my eighth annual report. It is the eighteenth in the series of annual reports of the Superintendent of Schools of the town. It contains a brief review of the work of the year, a statement of the present condition and needs of the schools, a revised course of study in arithmetic, and the usual statistics and tables.

The reports of the supervisors of music and drawing are appended. During the year tnere have been some important changes in the grades and in the High School. We have continued the policy outlined in previous reports, and have endeavored to perfect our system by giving more careful attention to the individual needs of the children. There has been no experimenting with fads and untried methods. The teachers have shown a progressive spirit, and a very decided advance has been made in methods of instruction.

The purpose of the school is to give the pupils a substantial elementary education that will prepare them for active participation in life's duties. To learn how to learn is a very difficult matter, and the process demands constant application on the part of the pupil, and the assistance of skilled teaching. Our plan for individual instruction has brought excellent results.

Help is given the pupil when he has the greatest need of it, and self reliance is encouraged and stimulated. By gaining the confidence of the pupil through well directed in-

dividual assistance the teacher emphasizes the value of her instruction.

Class teaching has failed to reach the slow pupils who are too often classed as dull. It is evidently unfair to make the standard of the class the work of the quick pupil who forgets frequently as quickly as he learns.

The boy who learns very slowly may retain what he learns and surpass his quick neighbor before the end of the course. Through constant consideration of the needs of individual pupils we hope to set aside false standards and build up rational teaching.

Abstract of Statistics.

Population of Cohasset, census of 1905 . . .	2,727
Number of teachers employed, including supervisors	17
Number of school buildings in use	2
Number of school rooms occupied	14

School Census, September 1, 1905.

Number of boys between 5 and 15 years of age .	196
Number of girls between 5 and 15 years of age .	207
Total	403
Number of boys between 7 and 14 years of age .	147
Number of girls between 7 and 14 years of age .	140
Total	287

Enrollment and Attendance for the Year Ending June 23, 1905.

Number of pupils enrolled in all schools . .	476
Boys in school between 5 and 15 years of age .	207
Girls in school between 5 and 15 years of age .	197
Boys in school between 7 and 14 years of age .	153
Girls in school between 7 and 14 years of age .	132

Boys in school over 15 years of age . . .	15
Girls in school over 15 years of age . . .	40
Boys in school under 5 years of age . . .	7
Girls in school under 5 years of age . . .	10
(The pupils under 5 years of age were in the kindergarten.)	
Average membership of all the schools . . .	432
Average attendance of all the schools . . .	388.4
Percentage of attendance	90

Statistical Table for the Year Ending June 23, 1905.

SCHOOLS.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Tardiness.	Truancy.
High . . .	82	74	69	93	76	0
Osgood:						
Grade IX .	6	6	5.4	90	5	0
Grade VIII .	44	40	36	90	61	0
Grade VII .	45	38	35	92	52	0
Grade VI .	42	40	36	90	39	0
Grade V .	46	43	39	93	35	0
Grade IV .	40	37	32	90	33	1
Grade III .	33	33	30	91	33	0
Grade II .	38	37	33	90	22	0
Grade I .	53	46	39	85	32	4
Kindergarten .	20	13	11	81	19	0
Beechwood:						
Grades—						
I, II, III . .	27	25	23	92	18	0
Totals . .	476	432	388.4	90 (Average.)	425	5

Enrollment for the Fall Term, Sept. 5, 1905, to Dec. 22, 1905.

High School :—	
Senior Class	20
Junior Class	24
Sophomore Class	13
Freshman Class	7
Post Graduates	3
Total	67
Osgood School :	
Grade I.	46
II.	40
III.	41
IV.	42
V.	32
VI.	40
VII.	38
VIII.	41
IX.	38
Total	358
Beechwood School :—	
Grade I.	12
II.	8
III.	8
Total	28
Entire enrollment of all the Schools	453

SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND SALARIES.

Schools.	*Teachers.*	*Salaries.*
High School :	Stanley C. Lary, Principal	$1,600 00
	Grace Gatchell	700 00
	Minnie E. Bigelow	750 00
	Nellie B. Hill	700 00

Osgood School:			
Grade	IX	Oriola Martin . . .	$600 00
	VIII	Martha P. Bates . . .	500 00
	VII	Susie G. Fisher . . .	500 00
	VI	Annie D. Dunham . .	480 00
	V	Annie A. Souther . .	480 00
	IV	Ellen King . . .	480 00
	III	M. Jennie Mason . .	480 00
	II	Rose C. Landers . .	480 00
	I	Sarah E. Fox . . .	480 00
		Myra L. Beal, Matron .	380 00
Beechwood School:			
Grades			
I, II and III		Eva S. Bassick . . .	480 00
Supervisor of Music:			
		Elizabeth C. Bates . .	300 00
Supervisor of Drawing:			
		Mary L. Cook . . .	300 00

Graduates from the High School, June 21, 1905.

Elizabeth Osgood Collier, Marion Wentworth Earle, Louise John Randall, Katherine Frances Valine, Julia BryantCollier, Julia Lillian Lee, Mildred Ardelle Thayer, Flora Bell Williams.

Post Graduates.

Arleon Cornelia Bowser, Marion Teresa Wholley.

ATTENDANCE.

The enrollment was 476, an increase of 16 over the number reported a year ago; the average membership was 432, an increase of .6; the average attendance was 388.4, a decrease of .6; the percentage of attendance was 90, a decrease of 1.31; the number of cases of tardiness was 425, a decrease of 80; the number of cases of truancy was 5, an increase of 2.

The unusually severe weather of the winter of 1904-5 caused the decrease in the average attendance for the year. During the fall and spring terms the percentage was 96.3, a very creditable mark. Through the co-operation of the parents and teachers tardiness has been discouraged and reduced in all the grades. The necessity of punctuality and prompt attention to school duties is fully realized by all who consider the best interests of the children. The law requires every child between seven and fourteen years of age to attend school every day that the schools are in session. In case of illness of a pupil the parent or guardian should notify the teacher. Truant officers are required to investigate all cases of unexcused absence. Only five cases of truancy have been reported, and four of these were confined to one family. There has been a growing sentiment in this community in favor of the active enforcement of the law, and truancy has diminished very rapidly.

PRESENT CONDITIONS.

The introduction of the ninth grade has added very materially to the effectiveness of the Grammar School work. Without hastening over their subjects the pupils can prepare thoroughly for the High School. The present ninth grade numbers 38 pupils, and is one of the largest in the school. A close connection has been established between the ninth grade and the High School, and in this way a gradual progression is insured that hinders any break at the end of the Grammar School course. Practically all our grade graduates enter the High School, and it is our aim to have the greatest possible number of them complete the four year's work.

The law of the Commonwealth has determined in a large degree the character of all high schools. As the requirements for entrance to the colleges and technical schools have been increased, new laws have been enacted to insure the

necessary advance in high school teaching and equipment. The great improvements made in the methods of teaching the sciences has called for better laboratories and new apparatus. Our facilities for laboratory work in chemistry and physics are much better than they were a few years ago, but we must make further improvements. During the year we have procured considerable material for both laboratories, and with a continuance of the present policy a full equipment will be had within a short time. Much more importance is attached to laboratory work now that it is required in all entrance examination.

The commercial department has been strengthened and extended. Two additional typewriters have been bought, and there has been no lack of materials and supplies. The teacher has worked conscientiously to impart a knowledge of the elements of a sound business education. The pupils realize that they are acquiring something by which they can earn a living, and they make good use of all their time. This department has had a good effect upon the school in stimulating greater activity in the whole student body.

For several years we have been perfecting the work of the first grade with a view to the introduction of the elements of kindergarten training. Under the direction of the regular teacher, who has shown unsusual skill and adaptability, we have secured excellent results. During the summer Miss Fox took a special course in kindergarten work under well trained teachers. The games, songs, and plays of the kindergarten are now given an important place in our first grade program, and the children appear happier and more alert for learning than ever before. A visit to the first grade will convince anyone of the value of correlating the work of the first grade and the kindergarten. The objectionable routine of the kindergarten is eliminated, while the vital features of play and observation are employed to render more attractive and valuable the process af acquiring reading, writing, sing-

ing, drawing, number and language. During the year we shall extend the work through the second grade. Much of the old busy-work was useless or worse, and progressive teachers have discarded the greater part of it and are endeavoring to direct all activity of the children into channels that lead to the acquirement of the elements of an education. No good teacher will keep a child busy for the sole reason of keeping him quiet. Activity should be encouraged and not suppressed. It is not natural for a child to keep still for any considerable time, and his education depends largely upon his teacher's ability to understand child nature, and her skill in directing his activity. Primary teaching should be the best teaching that the community can afford.

Individual Instruction.

The value of individual instruction has been recognized by all good teachers for many years, but the class teaching of poorly graded schools has been allowed to take its place. In our schools a well defined plan for individual instruction has been developed through careful attention to the needs of the pnpils. Each grade is divided into two or more sections. When divided into two sections the first contains the greater part of the grade generally, the second is made up of those pupils who require considerable assistance. Class teaching is employed to a much greater extent with the first section than with the second.

The second section receives the benefits of careful individual teaching. The plan has proved to be a good one, and there is a strong demand for its extension. The objects of individual and class work may be stated as follows:

Individual work aims to enable the pupil to master the essentials of the subjects that he pursues, to make him self-reliant, to give him assistance when it is most needed, and to stimulate activity by personal encouragement.

Class work aims to teach the whole class, then to test the pupils together and singly as far as possible, and to develop in all the pupils the power of expression.

Both forms of work have their elements of strength, and both should be employed in every class room, the one in connection with the other. Individual instruction is necessary in every grade or class where there are any pupils who have not mastered the essential principles of the subjects taught. In the first three grades class instruction should follow immediately after individual instruction. In grades above the third, individual instruction should occupy a third of the time assigned to Reading, Arithmetic, Geography, History and English.

All good teachers realize that no two pupils are exactly alike, and that each one must be considered as an individual and not as one of the uniform elements of a class.

Drawing and Construction Work.

With the introduction of industrial drawing into the schools of the Commonwealth the way was prepared for instruction in elementary manual training. The desire to construct follows naturally the maklng of a plan or desigh. Drawing becomes a live subject to those pupils who are looking forward to the application of their work. Much of our work in drawing deals with surfaces only, and there is very little reality until the pupil begins to develop solids. The brush and color work in the lower grades has helped to establish better ideas of relative distances, size and form. The desire to reproduce what has been seen brings forth first, an attempt, and finally, skill to represent. This skill may be shown by a drawing or a model. Construction from materials insures ability to see three dimensions. It has required years to develop the excellence in drawing that is found in our schools, and during these years much has been done that is closely allied with manual training. Under

the direction of skilled supervisors construction work has been begun in all the grades.

Three years ago we began to systematize and extend this work, and the results are proving very satisfactory. In the higher grammar grades decorative articles are designed and made from wood, leather and metal. In the lower grades heavy paper, clay, raffia and yarn are used. Years ago nearly every home had a work bench and tools, and the boys got practical lessons in construction from materials. The girls learned from their mothers sewing, cooking and the working out of decorative designs in embroidery, rugs, quilts, etc. Our modern home life differs widely from that of our fathers and mothers, and the school must supply something of this old-time activity, if we are to hold our own as an inventive and resourceful people.

COURSE OF STUDY IN ARITHMETIC.

Grade I.—2½ Hours a Week.

1. Counting from one to one hundred.

2. Adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing numbers whose sum does not exceed ten, using objects, with and without figures.

3. Fractions—one-half, one-third and one-fourth. Divide the circle and separate groups of objects into halves, thirds, and quarters.

4. Simple relations of numbers from one to ten inclusive.

5. Denominate numbers: Length—inch, foot, yard; value—cent, nickel, dime, dollar (ten dimes); capacity—pint, quart. Actual measures should be placed in the hands of the children, and used by them. Other terms, like week, month, pound, mile, gallon, should be used as necessary.

6. Original concrete problems given by the teacher and pupils, involving counting and measuring.

Oral arithmetic should constitute the greater part of the work of the first year. The blackboard should be used freely. The following materials are suggested: Inch cubes, splints, pegs, foot rulers graduated to inches, yard sticks, squares and oblongs of cardboard of various sizes, prisms, toy money, pint and quart measures, cards for number perception and combinations.

The problems in this grade, as in all others, should appeal to the interests of the children and to their home life and immediate needs.

Grade II—$2\frac{3}{4}$ Hours a Week.

1. Reading and writing Arabic numbers to one hundred; Roman numerals to XII, using clock dial. Signs $\times$, —, =. Counting by 1's, 2's, 3's, 4's and 5's to ten times each of these numbers, as a basis for the multiplication tables.

2. Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of numbers to 50, no multiplier or divisor greater than 12 required. The numbers to 20 should be taught objectively.

3. Fractions. Teach $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{1}{10}$. Use objective work with cubes, paper folding, paper cutting, blocks, drawings, and other similar material.

4. The addition tables completed. The 45 combinations of addition and subtraction. Multiplication tables to 10x5. Division mastered within the range of the multiplication tables learned. Short columns of figures added.

5. Denominate numbers. Review work of Grade I. Teach weight: ounce, pound; liquid measure: pint, quart, gallon; dry measure: quart, peck, bushel; time: reading time by the clock, current dates; the square inch; making change to $1.

6. Problems and exercises involving measurements and comparisons, to develop simple ideas of size, form, likenesses and differences in objects.

To the materials suggested for Grade I may be added the measures, gallon, peck, bushel, ounce and pound. No attempt should be made to teach the reasons for processes. Teach signs only when a need for their use arises.

Grade III—$2\frac{3}{4}$ Hours a Week.

1. Reading and writing Arabic numbers to 1,000; Roman numerals to L. Continue the counting of Grade II, to include 6's, 7's, 8's and 9's, as a basis for the multiplication tables and as a review of the addition combinations. Signs, +, —, x, ÷, =, $, c.

2. Review the 45 combinations. Oral work of the type of 36×40, 26×42 and 342×24, where no "carrying" is involved. Written work of four orders, including dollars and cents.

3. Subtraction as suggested by the work in addition.

4. Multiplication tables completed through 10×10, and made an object of drill until the facts are thoroughly memorized.

5. Division of numbers of four orders, the divisor being of one order. Short division by 20, 30, etc., and long division with divisors whose unit figure is 1 or 2.

6. Fractions. Teach $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}$. Halves reduced to sixths, and thirds to sixths. Oral addition and subtraction of such fractions. Objective work when necessary.

7. Denominate numbers. Review tables already studied. Teach square inch, square foot and square yard, with diagrams illustrating areas. Objective work in finding volumes in cubic inches. The ton. Table of time completed.

8. Simple exercises in buying, selling and making change. Original problems relating to local conditions, including the other studies of the class.

To the materials suggested for Grade I and II may be added the square foot and the square yard (cut from heavy

paper), and drawings showing the number of square inches in the square foot and the number of square feet in the square yard. The units of measure should be in constant use.

Grade IV.—4⅔ Hours a Week.

1. Reading and writing Arabic numbers to 10,000; Roman numerals to C. Counting by 11's and 12's, as a basis for the multiplication tables to 12 x 12.

2. Constant practice in addition and subtraction, to secure accuracy and rapidity. Use drill tables. Much rapid oral work, the numbers being spoken by the teacher or written one above the other on the blackboard.

3. Multiplication tables to 12 x 12. Oral multiplication of any two numbers whose product is less than 50. Written exercises in multiplication and division, no multiplier to exceed 99, and no divisor above 12.

4. Fractions. Special attention to fractions from ½ to ⅞. Addition and subtraction of fractions where the common denominator can be found by inspection. Easy reductions. Easy multiplications involving integers and fractions, and two fractions. Decimal fractions based on common fractions and the table of United States money.

5. Denominate numbers. Constant review of tables, with applications. Tables of long and cubic measure.

6. Measurements. Practical application of tables to measurements.

7. Problems as in the preceeding grades should relate to the interests and needs of the child.

The year's work should close with a systematic review. The materials used should include the units of measure of the preceeding grades, and objects for measurement constructed from heavy paper or wood.

Grade V.—$4\frac{2}{3}$ Hours a Week.

1. Reading and writing Arabic numbers to 1, 000, 000; Roman numerals to M; decimals of two orders.

2. Daily oral practice with small numbers to secure skill in the four operations. Written exercises in the four operations. Multipliers and divisors of three orders. The two factors of numbers less than 100. Comparison of factors and products. Review and multiplication tables through 12x12.

3. Common fractions. Review the work of the proceeding grades, using objects when necessary. Greatest common divisor and least common multiple by factoring. Use the business fractions, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{10}$, $\frac{1}{16}$.

Practical uses of cancellation. Oral and written work with aliquot parts that are most used in business.

Decimal fractions. Development based on common fractions and the table of United States money.

Reduction to and from common fractions. The four operations completed.

4. Dominate numbers. Reduction. The operations. Review all tables, adding circular measure, dozen, gross, quire.

The units of measure thus far learned should be applied in measurements, drawing and construction.

5. Percentage introduced. Special attention to the important per cents of business, and to their common fraction equivalents.

6. Original problems, both oral and written. Bills made and receipted. Utilize local conditions.

The year's work should close with a careful review.

Grade VI.—$4\frac{1}{2}$ Hours a Week.

1. Reading and writing of Arabic numbers, integral and decimal.

2. Review the tables. Oral and written practice in the four operations. Analysis of simple problems.

3. Factoring. Greatest common divisor. Least common multiple. Cancellation (avoid needless difficulties).

4. Fractions. Practice in the four operations with common and decimal fractions. Equivalence of familiar decimals with common fractions.

5. Percentage. Teach base, rate, and percentage. Particular attention should be given to the common per cents and fractions of business. Profit and loss. Trade discount. Commission. Simple interest.

6. Denominate numbers. Review and apply weight, capacity, time, length, surface, and volume measures. Brief attention to the semi-obsolete tables.

7. Measurements. Areas of rectangles and right triangles. Measuring the dimensions and finding the surfaces and volumes of cubes and right prisms.

8. Original problems based on actual conditions.

Discussion of the market prices and discounts quoted on school and household supplies.

All problems should be within the range of the child's experience and comprehension.

Grade VII.—4½ Hours a Week.

1. Decimal notation of integers and fractions. The identity of common fractions, decimals, and per cents taught. The equation.

2. Oral and written exercises in fundamental processes. Special attention to rapid addition. Multiples and factors. Squares and their roots.

3. Percentage. Review work of grade VI. Percentage applied to commercial transactions, including interest.

4. Decimal and common fractions continued, and used in solving problems that involves the unites of measure previously studied.

5. Simple proportion. Develop objectively the perception of proportion. Comparison of lengths and volumes.

6. Denominate numbers. Review of tables. Oral exercises in changing denominate units. Compound numbers.

7. Measurement of surfaces, solids, lumber and wood. Construction of models of solids from heavy paper.

8. Problems in profit and loss and simple interest. Commercial papers, bills, receipts, checks, notes, prepared and used. Simple forms of accounts.

Grade VIII—4½ Hours a Week.

1. Review decimal notation. Types of numbers written. Relation of integers, fractions, and compound numbers.

2. The fundamental operations reviewed with integers, common and decimal fractions and compound numbers. Rapid oral and written work and short methods.

3. Denominate numbers. Review all the tables, and apply them to practical problems.

4. Longitude and time. Show the use of standard time.

5. Interest. Simple interest finished. Compound interest, work limited to savings bank accounts. Business methods of computing interest. Use interest tables. Partial payments. Discounts. Review of percentage.

6. Ratio and proportion. Applications to business problems.

7. Measurements. Lines, angles, triangles, quadrilaterals, the circle, rectangular solids, and the cylinder. Applications in the measurement of surfaces, volumes, land, lumber, distances, etc.

8. Problems representing actual business conditions. Bills, cash accounts, balancing accounts.

Grade IX—2½ Hours a Week.

1. Review of the fundamental operation with integers,

common fractions and decimals. Rapid computation and short methods. Application of denominate numbers.

2. Ratio, proportion; square root.

3. Measurements of surface and volume of the circle, sphere, prism, cylinder, pyramid and cone. Ratio of similar solids.

4. Percentage and its applications to business. Discounts; commission; promissory notes; partial payments; taxes: government revenues; stocks and bonds; exchange; partnership.

5. Bank accounts. The various forms of common banking should be explained. Pupils should be encouraged to save money, and to open a savings bank account.

6, Problems relating to the common business of the people of to-day.

7. Review of all the subjects of the course.

Conclusion.

There is much to be accomplished in perfecting our school system, yet there is much to be commended in the present work. The faithful, earnest efforts of the teachers have made it possible to advance the standard of our schools and meet the many requirements imposed upon us by modern conditions.

In closing this report I desire to express my appreciation of the work of the teachers, of the interest and co-operation of the parents, and of the cordial support of your committee.

Respectfully submitted,

NELSON G. HOWARD,
Superintendent of Schools.

Cohasset, Dec. 30, 1905.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir,—It gives me pleasure to report the condition of drawing in the Cohasset Schools during the past year.

The plan of work is similar to that of last year, with the exception of the structural design. Now we are trying to have the children make the objects which they design. In this way they will be made to realize the limitations of the material, and their knowledge of the subject will be more practical; also, it arouses greater interest and enthusiasm for the work. If in the upper grades a boy can make a design for some simple, useful object which he can really construct with wood or cardboard, it makes the drawing seem of more importance.

While the boys are whittling an attempt will be made to teach the girls a little sewing, but we cannot expect to do much with either under present conditions.

The High School pupils carried out their designs quite successfully in hammered brass and copper, but very little could be done in this line, owing to lack of equipment.

The lower grades measure, cut, and fold paper, making furniture for doll's house, or wigwams, canoes and other objects for an Indian village made on the sand table, illustrating and making more interesting the story of Hiawatha.

The middle grades will design and learn to weave a doll's hammock, rug or school bag on looms made by the older boys.

This year the work in mechanical drawing is being emphasized.

Last year some good work was done in drawing from objects in all grades, the younger children drawing their

toys; also some excellent results were obtained in painting the spring flowers.

In the exhibition at the Hingham Agricultural Fair several full sets of drawings from various rooms were shown, and these compared favorably with the sheets which represented only the best drawings.

A special prize was awarded to the High School and the grades also received a prize.

I wish to thank the Superintendent and teachers for their interest and hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. COOK.

COHASSET, December 30, 1905.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools;

The progress in music during the past year has been, on the whole, more satisfactory than in any previous year. Yet one is never satisfied with present conditions, for each step onward only shows more clearly the possibilities of greater improvement.

Heretofore the work in first grade has been confined to rote singing of songs, scale and intervals, with very little representation on either chart or board. Last year after five months' drill on the above, I felt that work in notation could be undertaken, with good results even with the youngest children. I was not disappointed to find at the close of the school year, that at least one half of the class were able to read at sight simple exercises in two keys, using syllable and scale names. As a second grade they are now making good progress In tone, chart and board work.

The third grade recognizes and can sing any tone of the scale addressed either to the ear or eye, and is well started on the first book of the course, with work on key signatures, pitch names of staff, songs, etc.

The fourth grade, taken as a whole, ranks higher than the same of last year. The fifth, sixth and seventh grades are working well, the girls in each of these grades excelling.

I find by experience, that work in musical history and biography can be accomplished with best results in the eight grade. In connection with our usual work in that grade, we are now studying the lives and singing selections from the works of great composers.

In the ninth grade, we are singing four-part music, with special work for the boys on the bass staff.

I have long felt the need of some continuous work for the High School, such as the study of cantatas, etc. Such works require a large, well-balanced chorus, which we have not this year. By permission of the Principal, Mr. Lary, we are to augment the chorus by pupils from the eighth and ninth grades. These pupils are fully prepared for High School work in music, having well-developed voices and ability to read well. We will therefore try, in a simple way, to succeed with more pleasing work than heretofore.

In closing permit me to quote from the report on the teaching of music in the public schools of Massachusetts, by Geo. H. Martin, Secretary of State Board of Education. In summing up the reports sent in by the different Supervisors of the State he says;

"The reports throw no light upon the quality of the work done in music; they only serve to show the aim and to give some idea of the standards. It is probable that not all the pupils who leave the grammar schools can sing new music at sight correctly in time and tune. It is possible that but few of them can do so. But it is also true that not all the pupils can read intelligently, or spell correctly, or compute accurately."

Taking into consideration the comparatively small amount of time given to music, it seems to me that the results compare favorably with those of other studies.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH C. BATES.

December 30, 1905.